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AMERICA HAS GONE OFF GOLD STANDARD---EMBARGO RESTORED

SENTENCES LIKELY TO BE COMMUTED

**Soviet May Grant
Petition.**

**LIFE BANISHMENT INSTEAD
OF PRISON TERMS**

Moscow, To-day.
M. Braude, counsel for Mr. Charles Thornton in the trial of the six Metropolitan Vickers British employees which ended yesterday, has presented a petition to the Soviet Central Committee asking for the commutation of the respective sentences of three years' and two years' imprisonment on Thornton and W. Macdonald.



Mr. Alan Monkhouse.

It is expected that the petition will be granted and the imprisonment terms commuted to life banishment.

Messrs. Alan Monkhouse, Charles Nordwall, John Cushman, who were ordered to leave the country within three days, left Moscow, together with A. W. Gregory, last night. — Reuter.

**New Zealand Support
For Britain.**

**SOVIET BOYCOTT BEING
CONSIDERED.**

Wellington, To-day.
Mr. G. W. Forbes, the Prime Minister, declared to-day that the New Zealand Government is immediately considering the prohibition of Russian imports. — Reuter.

**Moscow Fears Result
Of Boycott.**

Moscow, To-day.
A serious result of the British embargo is anticipated here, as it is claimed that the Soviet can meet the obligations of other countries only by means of the revenue obtained from her favourable trade balance with Britain. — Reuter.

LONDON OPINION ON EMBARGO

**Welcomed By Majority
Of Press.**

**"DEPORTEES' LIBERTY WON
BY PARLIAMENT"**

London, To-day.
The embargo on Russian imports is welcomed in all the morning newspapers, here, excepting three. "The News Chronicle" declares the embargo to be a dangerous weapon, as likely to damage Britain's trade as much as Russia's. The "Daily Herald" states that it will make it harder for the

PRESIDENT SUPPORTS INFLATION MOVE

**Mr. Roosevelt Said To Sanction
Farm Bill Amendment**

Washington, To-day.
It is understood that President Roosevelt has sanctioned the Amendment to the Farm Bill. In consequence, the prospects of the Amendment being passed are considered very bright. — Reuter.

SILVER BOOMS ON WALL STREET

**Industrials Soar In
New York.**

**ABNORMAL TRADING FOLLOWS
WASHINGTON NEWS**

New York, To-day.
On the New York Stock Exchange yesterday silver advanced the three cent limit permitted by the Metal Exchange, and a general rally occurred in stock prices following news from Washington.

Messrs. E. A. Pierce and Company, through their local correspondents, Messrs. Asia Lands, Ltd., state:—

"Stocks advanced on dispatches from Washington quoting President Roosevelt as saying that attempts to stabilise the American gold dollar have been abandoned until other nations with deflated currency returned to the gold standard.

"We think that advanced industrials will meet with stern opposition around the '70' level of the Dow Jones averages. Inflation was the sole market factor.
"Cotton, silver and wheat advanced sharply to-day on successive waves of general buying and profit-taking was absorbed with ease. Silver advanced by the three cent limit permitted by the Metal Exchange."

Business showed an abnormal increase, 5,000,000 shares being dealt in.

Industrial averages advanced 5.66 to 68.31, while rails went forward 1.47 to 27.59. Utilities improved .25 to 21.24, but bonds declined .40 to 73.76. — Reuter.

BUDGET WILL BE BALANCED.

**U.S. Leader Announces
Economy Cuts.**

Washington.
Senator Joseph T. Robinson, Democratic floor leader, defending the administration against attacks by Senator Huey P. Long and others, declared to-day that President Franklin D. Roosevelt has cut \$1,000,000,000 from governmental expenses.

"Already there is assurance that the budget will be balanced," Robinson said.

Soviet, to do under foreign threat, that which she may do of her own free will.

The "Financial News" declares it a "hasty step."

The "Times," ridiculing the trial as a farce and a mockery of justice, says that there is little doubt that the deportees own their liberty to the British Parliament's move in passing the Import Prohibition Act.

Yesterday's proclamation, the newspaper states, is well calculated to open Soviet eyes to the damage they are doing to their trade with Britain. — Reuter.

WAR DEBT PAYMENT IN SILVER

INFLATION PROPOSALS BY SENATORS

**MR. MACDONALD ARRIVES TOMORROW
FOR ROOSEVELT CONFERENCE**

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

THE UNITED STATES HAS GONE OFF THE GOLD STANDARD ACCORDING TO A STATEMENT MADE BY MR. WILLIAM H. WOODIN, SECRETARY OF THE UNITED STATES TREASURY YESTERDAY, INTERPRETING PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE RESTORATION OF THE GOLD EMBARGO.

Mr. Woodin said that regulations would be issued to permit the export of gold already earmarked.

Although the Senate yesterday defeated a Bill proposing remonetization of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1 to gold, advocates of the various silver schemes are still optimistic. Legislation will be introduced into Congress, probably to-day, giving President Roosevelt dictatorial powers regarding inflation.

THE BRITISH PREMIER, MR. RAMSAY MACDONALD ARRIVES IN THE UNITED STATES TOMORROW AND WILL IMMEDIATELY PROCEED TO THE WHITE HOUSE TO INAUGURATE WITH PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT THE SERIES OF INFORMAL CONFERENCES ARRANGED BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE LEADING POWERS.

President Roosevelt has announced the restoration of the gold embargo.

The recent United States embargo on gold which came into operation on March 6, was lifted by a Presidential order on April 5. The order, however, demanded the licensing of the issue of gold in industrial and trade transactions, and forbid individuals, under heavy penalties, to retain gold in excess of \$500 after May 1.

The embargo gives the National Government absolute control of the nation's gold supply, and places an embargo on gold exports and prohibits the earmarking of gold for foreign nations. — Reuter.

U.S. To Stress Gold Standard Restoration.

Early restoration of a free international gold standard will be emphasized by the United States as of primary importance in the forthcoming conversations here, to which virtually all eleven picked nations invited have agreed to send outstanding statements.

The announcement that early restoration of the gold standard by leading nations would be stressed further increased the scope of the conversations arranged by President Roosevelt. Only the United States and France among the chief trading nations of the world remain on a gold basis, and gold shipments from this country have been under restriction since Mr. Roosevelt's promulgation of an emergency decree to meet the banking situation last month.

Tariffs To Come Up.
Great Britain went "off gold" in September, 1931, and Japan later followed, the currencies of both declining in value in terms of others, and putting at a disadvantage in international trade the countries formerly exporting to these, as well as generally disrupting former trade relations.

World tariffs, raised by virtually all countries since the start of the depression in an attempt to stimulate domestic production, are expected to play a leading part in the conversations, but Secretary of State Hull stated also that the price of silver and the control of wheat supplies also would be taken up. (Continued on Page 12.)

Inflation Dictatorship For President.

**SENATOR'S AMENDMENT TO
FARM BILL**

Washington, To-day.

The payment of the war debt instalments in silver, under certain conditions, will be possible if the amendment to the United States Farm Bill, drafted by Senator Thomas and the Administration advisers, for approval by President Roosevelt, is accepted.

The amendment gives President Roosevelt broad powers to inflate currency, and besides permitting him to issue currency at his own discretion, the measure could provide for the acceptance of silver for war debt payments.

The amendment further provides for the reduction of the gold content dollar by international agreement or otherwise.

Washington, Later.
Legislation is to be introduced into the United States Congress, probably to-day giving President Roosevelt virtual currency inflation dictatorship. — Reuter.

Canada's Scheme.

GOLD AT \$30 PER FINE OUNCE.

Ottawa.

It was learned here that Premier Richard B. Bennett of Canada will discuss with President Franklin D. Roosevelt of the United States a proposal for the revaluation of gold at not less than \$30.00 per fine ounce.

This, it was pointed out, would produce an immediate international inflation of at least 85 per cent against the dollar, and would increase the value of American and Canadian gold holdings by the same ratio.

The proposal will also be discussed at the World Economic Conference. — United Press.

EDUCATION MINISTER RESIGNS

Nanking, To-day.

It is understood that the Central Political Council has approved of the resignation of the Minister of Education, Mr. Oung Wen-hao, and has appointed Mr. Wang Shih-chih, President of the Wuhan University, to be his successor. — Reuter.



Scenes at the hoisting of the Nazi flag on the roof of the Ministry of Interior in the Unter Den Linden, Berlin.—A striking picture showing the huge crowd saluting the Nazi flag in Fascist style when it was hoisted on the roof.—(S. & G.)

EX - KAISER'S GRANDSON TO MARRY

**Will Bar His Accession
To Throne.**

**GERMAN ROYALIST PLANS
CHECKED**

Amsterdam, To-day.

Ex-Kaiser Wilhelm is reported to be most aggrieved at the report of the betrothal of Prince Wilhelm Frederick, eldest son of the Crown Prince and his favourite grandchild, to Dorothy Von Salviati, a descendant of an old aristocratic Italian family who migrated to Prussia at the time of Frederick the Great.

Prince Wilhelm has thus broken the rule of the Hohenzollerns not to marry "below rank." Apparently the ex-Kaiser was not asked to consent to the betrothal, which will bar Prince Wilhelm's accession to the German throne.

That Prince Wilhelm should eventually accede to the throne is believed to have been the ex-Kaiser's secret hope. Monarchical Germans are reported to be well agreed on a plan to bridge the expected transition to a monarchy by naming Karl Edward, Duke of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha as regent. (Continued on Page 12.)

DOLLAR RECOVERS TO 1/35%.

**Silver And Pound Values
Show Big Advance.**

Following its decline to 1/34 yesterday morning, the dollar again rallied and opened to-day at 1/35%.

Silver showed greater strength yesterday, both spot and forward prices advancing 7/16 to 18% and 18 7/16 respectively.

Pound sterling value in relation to the gold dollar showed a remarkable advance, the London on New York cross rate improving from £-G\$3.47% to £-G\$3.55%, while the New York on London rate is quoted this morning at £-G\$3.71% against £-G\$3.51% yesterday.

New Governor General Expects To Depart For Manila In May

Washington.

Mayor Frank Murphy, new Governor-General of the Philippines, is expected to leave for Manila in a few weeks after he winds up some of his affairs in Detroit, where he has been since 1926, to replace Governor William H. Hall. The Detroit also will have the distinction of being the Philippines' first American Governor. Though the arrival of some of his predecessors at Manila has been delayed at Malacanang Palace, it is understood here that his sister will live there. Associated Press.

JAPAN AND DUTCH EAST INDIES

**"Dangerous Interest"
Of Tokyo.**

**SOCIALIST'S ALLEGATIONS AT
THE HAGUE**

The Hague, To-day.

An allegation that Japan is taking a dangerous interest in the Dutch-East Indies was yesterday made by the Socialist member, M. Mendels, in the Upper Chamber during a discussion on the East Indies Budget.

M. Mendels called attention to Japan's need of oil for warships and also her desire to create settlements in New Guinea. The Colonial Minister, M. De Graaff replied that the Government was vigilant. The same laws, however, applied to Japan as to other countries.

On the question of rubber restriction, the Minister said that the problem was an international one, and only when a definite resolution was taken by those concerned, could the Government consider the practicability of the schemes submitted to it. — Reuter.

CUMBERLAND DUE ON MONDAY.

Warship Movements.

H.M. Ships Vindictive and Curacao are due to arrive in the Colony on Sunday next. The two vessels are engaged in troopship.

H.M.S. Cumberland, which has been refitted and recommissioned, is now returning to her station on the China Coast, and is due here on Monday.

U. S. PAYMASTER GENERAL

Washington.

Rear Admiral Christian Joy Peoples was nominated by President Franklin D. Roosevelt to-day as paymaster general and chief of the bureau of supply and accounts for the U. S. navy.

BANDITS SET FIRE TO C.E.R. TRAIN

**A Second Train
Derailed.**

**SEVERAL PASSENGERS KILLED
BY MURDEROUS FIRE**

**Japanese Warning To
Intending Strikers**

Harbin, To-day.

Bandits set fire to and destroyed the huge timber-yards at Tigrova-yapad, fifteen miles north of Shih-towhoie.

Bandits also derailed a train, later pouring a murderous fire into the carriages, as a result of which several passengers were killed and many wounded.

Later.
The Japanese commander of the Manchukuo frontier guards at Suifenho has issued a proclamation declaring that ring-leaders and participants in any strike intended to dislocate the services on the Chinese Eastern Railway, will be severely punished. — Reuter.

THREAT OF ENCOUNTER IN EAST MANCHURIA.

Harbin, To-day.

Another sanguinary encounter is threatened in East Manchuria, where anti-Manchukuo troops are massing with the object of attacking Tungning, a town near the Soviet border, 25 miles to the south of Suifenho, the Eastern terminus of the Chinese Eastern Railway. — Reuter.

NEW JAPANESE RAILWAY

**Korean Line Linking
Kiri And Kanei.**

**MILITARY AND COMMERCIAL
VALUE**

Tokyo, To-day.

One of the most important links in the Japanese system of communications was forged with the completion, to-day, of the line connecting the Kiri-Tungnia Railway with the Kanei Railway on the Korean border.

From a military and commercial standpoint the new line is of immense importance as it will tap potential markets for Japanese goods and in the event of another Russo-Japanese war, will enable Japan to rush troops to North Manchuria by a faster and safer route than any at present existing. — Reuter.

\$479,000 ESTATE.

**Compradore Of H.K. And
Whampoa Dock Coy.**

Probate in the goods of the late Lo Chung-kue, alias, Lo Tak-yin, of 97, Caine Road, compradore of the Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., whose estate was valued at \$479,000, was granted to Lo Koon-yan, eldest son, and Lo Koon-kai, 14th son, who are the executors and trustees of the estate.

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	Feet
Victoria Peak	1,823
Signal Station	1,774
Mt. Parker	1,784
Mountain Lodge	1,725
The Eyrie	1,725
Peak Hotel	1,805
Taikoo Sanatorium	1,000
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (Alterbats)	297
Mainland.	
Talmoshan	5,124
Kowloon Peak	1,971

CORRECT WEIGHT IS IMPORTANT

A Little Habit To Acquire.

DIET A NECESSITY

As system and regularity in most things bring their own reward it would be just as well if most of us in Hong Kong whether young or not-so-young—especially the latter—were to make it a point to consult the weighing-machine at definite intervals.

Most mothers weigh their infants and older children from time to time but it is not often that they weigh themselves, is it?

We in Hong Kong have a way of letting our weight and girth look after itself once we leave school, in fact putting on weight steadily is often regarded as an unmistakable indication to the world at large of our prosperity.

True, "embon point" often derives from contentment and ease but still oftener it is the result of excessive and unsuitable feeding: by just letting yourself "go" at the table. And by not watching your weight. Fat can accumulate very quickly on some persons and often before they realise it they have outstripped their normal proportions.

Care In Diet.

Those whose tendency is to put on weight should bear this fact well in mind from the moment they discover it. They should wage a constant but quiet war against their tendency. Fried dishes should be strictly avoided, all frying needs the addition of fat and so greasy foods of all kinds should be cut down to the minimum.

Sweetmeats and rich pastries should be regarded unfavourably and drinking at meals should be replaced by drinking between meals. Water which has been previously boiled is said to be particularly suitable to those who are inclined to grow fat.

Exercise should be taken in moderation and at regular intervals, walking and tennis playing are two of the most beneficial ways of exercising for the inclined-to-be-stout.

It is no use over exerting yourself one day and neglecting to exercise thereafter for a week or so. To be of benefit to anyone exercise is chiefly of value when it is taken systematically.

Everyone's Need.

Curiously enough exercise is equally helpful to the too-thin as well as to the too-fat. It is the means of bringing the body to a normal and healthy state. So whatever your build happens to be exercise must not be neglected. Sweet and rich foods as long as they are merrily digested are just the things for thin folk while lightly-cooked eggs and plenty of fresh butter and cheese in the diet will help a great deal.

But equally important are plenty of pure air for the lungs and care of the skin for unless the pores of the skin function freely, a state which can be induced mainly by hot baths we shall not attain to the state of perfect health we desire.

And the last and most important rule of all is to keep an eye on the weighing-machine.

NEW WAISTLINE

By MARIE MAROT



High, Low
and
Medium
Indicated
On One
Frock

WITH THE SHOWING of the new collections with their theme of lovely clothes for spring, comes the ingenious trick of indicating three waistlines—high, low and medium—on one dress.

This new waistline is a feature of the very smart walking frock shown in the accompanying sketch. The frock is of coarse black wool in a basket weave. The short, full sleeves are new in a frock of this type, but are very smart. An accessory that threatens to become very popular is the detachable shoulder scarf of white crocheted. Front and back views of this smart detail are presented here. The bag is very new, being of black felt with encrustations of brightly colored felt stripes.

Cravats To Match Hats

Millinery Styles To Remain Small.

With regard to hats, practically all the spring models—whether for town or country wear—have cravats to match.

Close-fitting caps and brimmed hats both have them. Juliet's forecast is that millinery is to remain small—either close-fitting caps or narrow brimmed hats.

Among the collection now on view the modified fez that may be as popular as the bowler was or the little knitted caps.

Not unlike it is the Garbo hat—a pill-box shape with upturned brim lying close to the crown. This in black felt.

For sunny spring days there is a cap of white petersham with a little navy buckle, and its accompanying cravat of the same white

fabric lined with navy stockinette.

All the cravats are narrow at the back of the neck and widening from where they tied to the ends.

For the country there is a chic little set of the new red and white check silk.

The tiny hat is soft in the crown and has a narrow stitched brim which may be pulled into any shape to suit the face. Round the crown are three rouleaux of the fabric tied at one side and the ends finished with pieces of metal, like shoe-laces.

The various narrow belts complete with buckles which encircled the crowns of some of the town and country hats were good.

One white ballbuntal straw model is so trimmed with a check silk belt.

A brick-coloured Angora hat for the country has its soft crown encircled with a brown leather belt finished with a steel buckle.

Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

Breakfast
Soft-Cooked Eggs
Broiled Sausages
Buttered Toast
Orange Marmalade
Coffee
Luncheon
Oyster Soup
Crackers
Head Lettuce Salad
Pear Sauce
Fruit Cookies
Tea
Dinner
Tomatoes and Cheese
Baked Potatoes
Bread
Butter
Head Lettuce
French Dressing
Orange Cream Pie
Coffee
Orange Cream Pie
Crust

1 cup flour
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/3 cup lard
2 tablespoons cold water
Mix flour and salt. Cut in lard with knife. Mixing with knife, slowly add water. The exact amount of water required cannot be definitely given, so add it slowly and use only sufficient to moisten dough. When stiff dough forms, take it up in palms of hands and press together into ball. Place on floured board and roll out until very thin. Fit into pie pan and press well in bottom and around sides of pan. With fork, prick sides and bottom of crust. Bake 15 minutes in moderate oven. Add filling.

Filling
2 egg yolks
4 tablespoons flour
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 cup sugar
1 cup orange juice
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1/2 cup water
1 teaspoon butter
Beat yolks. Add flour, salt and sugar. Mix well. Add rest of ingredients. Cook in double boiler until filling becomes thick and creamy. Stir frequently and it will require about 15 minutes to thicken. Pour into pie shell and cover with meringue.

Meringue
2 egg whites
4 tablespoons sugar
1/4 teaspoon salt
Beat white until stiff. Add sugar and salt and beat until creamy. Roughly spread on filling. Bake 10 minutes in slow oven. Cool and serve.

CLEANING METAL TEAPOTS.

If Not Washed Tea Is Inferior.

The inside of a metal teapot soon becomes black and coated with tannin if it is not specially treated about once a week in the following manner.

After washing, the teapot should be filled with hot water and a small lump of common soda added to the pot.

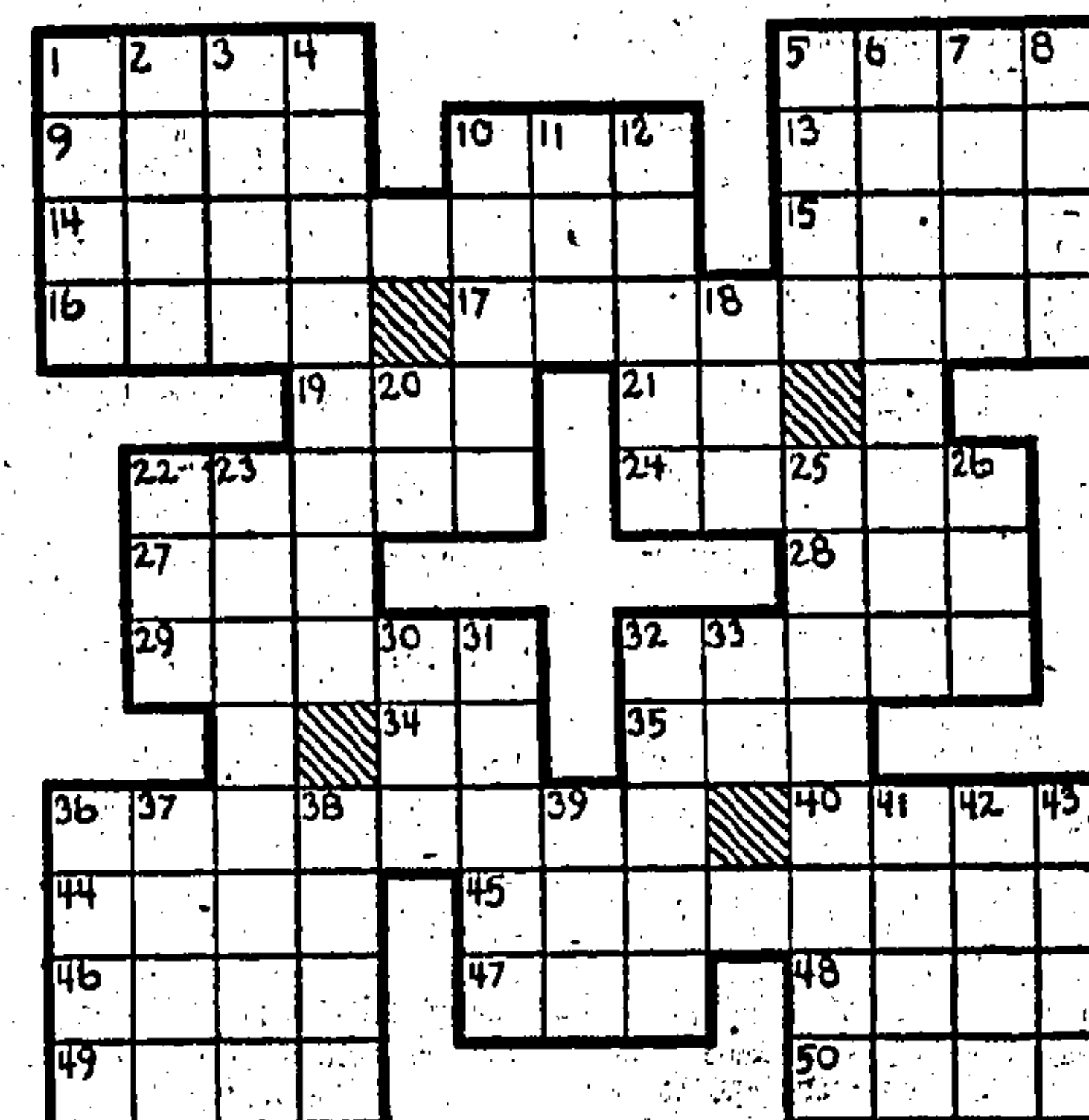
Leave for as long as 24 hours if possible. Rinse with boiling water and then cold. After this treatment the inside will be fresh again.

If the inside of a teapot is allowed to remain stained the quality of the tea will consequently become inferior and the flavour impaired.

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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Mother
- 5-Suffix. Used to form inceptive verbs
- 8-Aid
- 10-Mineral spring
- 13-Extend over
- 14-Allotted
- 15-Founder of the Priests of Oratory
- 16-Otherwise
- 17-Arouse
- 18-Daze
- 21-Same as Gaze
- 22-Mountains in S. America
- 24-Penetrates
- 27-Golf mound
- 28-Before
- 29-Sorrowfully
- 32-Smallest quantity
- 34-Electrical Engineer (abbr.)
- 35-Part of a circle

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 36-Rendred soft by heating
- 40-Covering of the head
- 44-To remove the skin
- 45-Ruse
- 46-Session (abbr.)
- 47-River in Poland
- 48-Part taken by an actor
- 49-Language of the Scottish Highlanders
- 50-To cut (Prov. Eng.)

VERTICAL

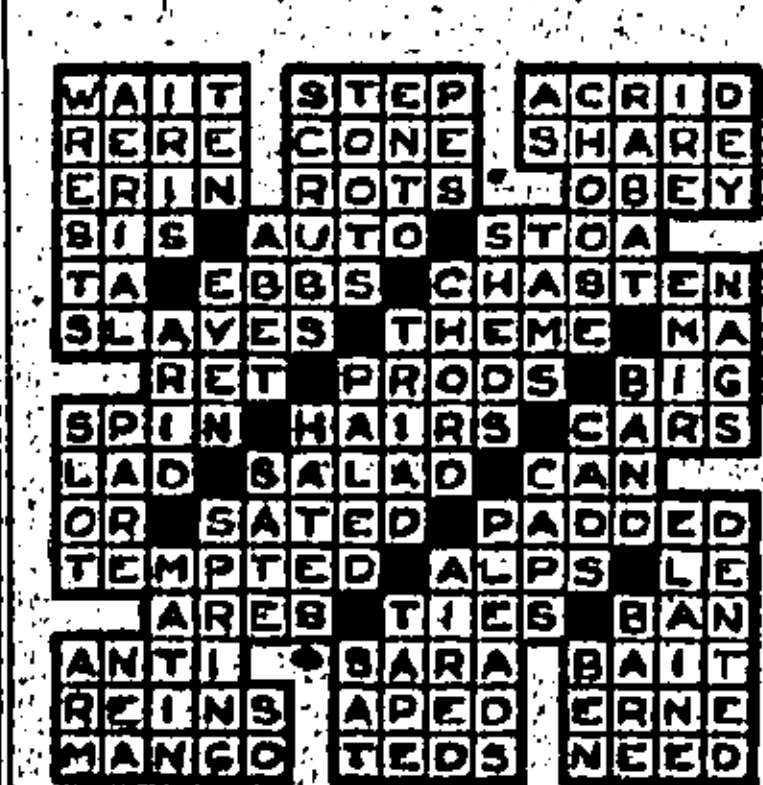
- 1-Constructed
- 2-Boy's name
- 3-Confusion
- 4-Waited upon
- 5-Self
- 6-Wasters
- 7-Attention

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 8-Girl's name
- 10-Breaks suddenly
- 11-Seat in church
- 12-A proverb
- 18-Know
- 20-Of age (Lat. abbr.)
- 22-American Temperance Society (abbr.)
- 23-State of being near
- 25-Instructors
- 26-To step, as flag
- 30-Grassy meadow
- 31-Utter a shrill cry
- 32-Loaded
- 33-Comparative suffix
- 38-Altar end of a church
- 37-Never (Poet.)
- 38-Otherwise
- 39-EPOCH
- 41-Soon
- 42-Iceland (Poet.)
- 43-Long grass stem

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

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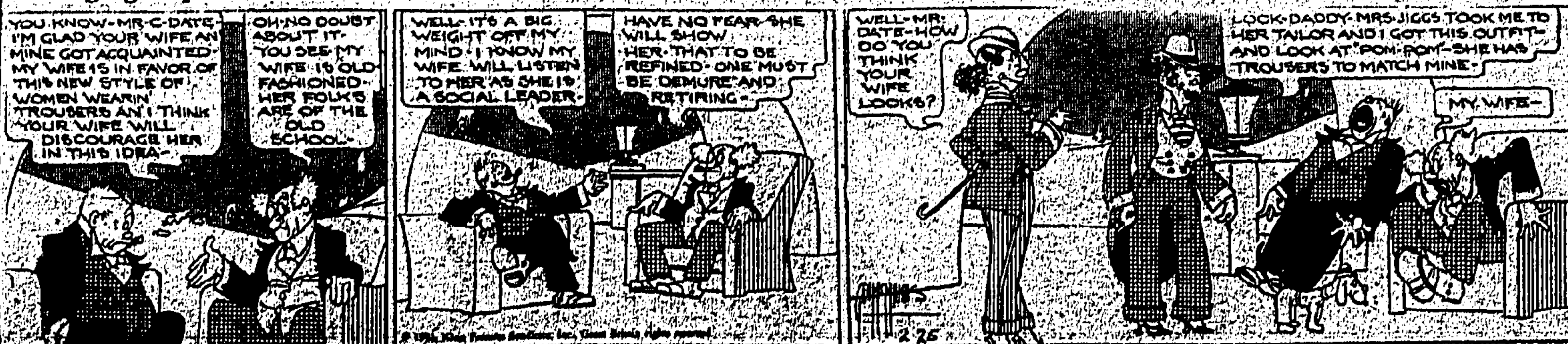
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BRIDGE NOTES

MECHANICAL BRIDGE

(By A. E. MANNING FOSTER.)

I have recently had the opportunity of examining the latest device from America. It is an electric Bridge table which shuffles and deals the cards. You place a pack in a receptacle, and in a few seconds, each player takes his own perfectly shuffled hand of thirteen cards from a little drawer placed directly in front of him. The table is of ordinary appearance, and there is nothing exposed to suggest its miraculous powers. The machinery and gadgets are hidden. If you want to see how "the wheels go round," you take off the top and view the almost human rotations of the electric shuffle dealer.

Automatic shuffling machines have been invented before. They never became popular because they were too clumsy and cumbersome. But this new machine is wonderfully neat and compact and is practically fool-proof. There is no chance of an imperfect shuffle or a misdeal. It is unhampered by human clumsiness. Some people think that the perfect shuffle would produce always more or less even hands. But this is not so. Every kind is turned out, and you may have a freakish distribution. The luck of the deal is not eliminated.

Many players find difficulty in shuffling and some in dealing, and to them this new machine may appeal. It will also be especially useful to organisers of duplicate tournaments.

The Dutch have a mechanical contrivance which they introduced in tournament play last year for recording the calls, so that no word need be spoken. The bids are registered by the fingers instead of by the voice, so that the tell-tale tone cannot be used. The instrument did not find favour with our players. Apart from the fact that it is possible to put emphasis, when bidding, even with an automatic machine, the whole idea is ludicrous and contrary to the spirit of the game.

If we allow machines to govern us, we may arrive at a state when the physical presence of a player is no longer necessary. A machine will be devised which will not only shuffle and deal but will also play the cards in the best possible manner. The player, after adjusting his machine, can then proceed to work or pleasure and return to discover how much he has won or lost!

We are tending in this direction. All the various systems aim at the abolition of the human element. They would do away with the player's personality altogether, with its strengths and weaknesses, its foibles and idiosyncrasies, and substitute a hard and fast and rigid method. They would turn the Bridge player into a Robot.

Recently I have been reading numerous books and articles which claim that, by a process of simple addition, anyone can assess accurately the value of his hand. No skill, no imagination, no card sense is required. Provided you can add, and the sums are not too difficult, you can become a first-class player or bidder. Press the button, and *voila!* the rest.

Now I have not tried these various systems, and therefore I cannot say whether the assertions made are absolutely accurate. But I have no intention of trying them, because I would rather blunder on in my own way than accept anything so dull, so boring, so tedious. One writer has gone so far as to assert that the danger is that "the universal adoption" of his

system will "kill the game of Contract Bridge by making it too simple." If this be true, there is no more to be said. We shall have to invent another game, a real game and pastime, which will amuse us, and give scope for mental agility and human effort. Fortunately, however, all of the system-mongers are concerned only with bidding.

Presumably, the bidding being perfect, the play follows as a matter of course. The cards count so much, and the tricks are gathered as certainly as night follows day. In fact, the hand need not be played out. It is a "show-down" proposition if the partners have not made a mistake in the addition. So many points, so many tricks—no more, no less.

I do not suppose that even the most ardent proponents of these systems would make such a preposterous claim, although logically, they appear to do so. Until the mechanical card player has been invented, there is still plenty of scope for human error. We may revoke, we may lead from the wrong hand. The trick on which we relied as a certainty may be trumped. Distribution may defeat the most carefully prepared calculations.

It is only fair to state that the inventors of these arithmetical systems have taken into account distribution and have tried to deal with it. But, considering the billions of different ways in which the cards can be dealt, it is obviously impossible to handle the subject effectively. It is a comfort to know that from the pack of fifty-two playing cards, 655,361,368,000 hands can be dealt, not to speak of the fact that they are too immense. The National Debt and War Loan, and our liabilities to America, shrink in proportion to mere trifles.

Bridge is still a wonderful game, and you won't know all there is to learn about it in a lifetime.

ACTS OF BRAVERY IN LEGION.

President Awards Life-Saving Prize.

Paris. The Foreign Legion has been awarded the prize of the President of the Republic for life-saving.

The award has just been made at the annual meeting of the Nation Life-Saving Federation. Two acts of heroism were the cause of the honour being conferred upon the Foreign Legion. The first occurred during the floods which ravaged Algeria during the winter of 1927-28.

The second "magnificent conduct" of the Foreign Legion was on September 14, 1932, when a troop train plunged into a ravine of the Oran-Oudjda line, hurling more than 50 Legionaries to death. Even the injured legionaries tried to extricate their comrades from the debris.—Reuter.

THEIR LAST LOAD.

Madrid. Five horses drawing a cartload of stones at Valencia all dropped dead at the same moment. It is suspected that strychnine had been administered to them by builders' labourers who are on strike.—Reuter.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.'s):—

12.30 p.m.—European programme of Columbia & Regal records kindly supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.
1 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.
1.30 p.m.—Rugby. From News, Selected London & New York Stock Quotations, etc.
2 p.m.—Close Down.
2.45 p.m.—European programme.
3.15 p.m.—Band Selections.
La Marseillaise.
La Garde Republicaine Band.
Policeband Holiday (Ewing).
Wee MacGregor Patrol (Amers).
Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.
Faithful and Bold (Rust).
The Happy Warrior (Kahl).
Band of H.M. Royal Air Force.
6.15-6.40 p.m.—Instrumental.
Violin Solo—
Estrellita (Ponce-Heifetz).
Piano Solo—
One Lives But Once (Strauss-Tausig).
Sergei Rachmaninoff.
Cello Solo—
Mazurka (Popper).
Pablo Casals.
Violin Solo—
Valse Bluette (Drigo-Auer).
Jacsha Heifetz.
Cello Solo—
Musette (Bach-Pollain).
Pablo Casals.

6.40-8 p.m.—A programme of records kindly loaned by a Listener.
Vocal Duet—
The Same as We Used to Do—
Layton & Johnstone.
To-morrow is Another Day—
Layton & Johnstone.
Orchestral—
Somewhere—Somewhere
Neapolitan Nights—
The Troubadours.

Chorus—
The Bells of St. Mary's
John Peel
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Cheerful Little Earful
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The World is Waiting for the Sunrise
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ROUND HONG KONG'S CINEMA THEATRES

MAIL REVIEW

"HANDLE WITH CARE"—KING'S THEATRE.

"Handle With Care" the Fox production which is now showing at the King's Theatre, features James Dunn and Boots Mallory, the silver screen's latest "find." The romantic adventures of an ambitious, young assistant district attorney and a "shop" form the basis of the story. After meeting under unusual circumstances, and discovering that they were former sweethearts, Dunn and Mallory start a new romance. But many obstacles to their object arise and are surmounted before the film comes to an end.

Dunn plays his part to perfection and shares acting honours with his partner, who certainly makes a good impression.

MAIL REVIEW

"THE MUMMY"—CENTRAL THEATRE.

The "horror" phase in pictures has not yet ended. Boris Karloff's next, "The Mummy" is now showing at the Central Theatre. It is a tale of ancient Egypt, with huge sets designed by Will Pogany, the American scenic artist, and Boris Karloff breaking all records for fantastic make-up as a 3,700-years-old mummy. A clever new star, Zita Johann, who made a tremendous "hit" in "Tiger Shark" gives a very impressive performance.

MAIL REVIEW

"HIGH PRESSURE"—STAR THEATRE.

"High Pressure," featuring William Powell in a role decidedly new to him but one in which he is said to emerge with new honours, now showing at the Star Theatre, is that of Gar Evans, blue sky stock promoter, and an alleged new invention whereby sewage may be converted into rubber. Evans, played by Powell, goes into the thing in a big way. He rents an entire floor of a 5th Avenue skyscraper and begins business on a huge scale.

The audience is given peeps into sumptuous Turkish baths, speak-easies, luxurious apartments, ocean liners and night clubs where the "wise guys" and the "suckers" alike gather to get rid of their money. Evelyn Knapp, Evelyn Brent, George Sidney, Guy Kibbee, John Wray and Frank McHugh, are in support.

MAIL REVIEW

"AIR MAIL"—MAJESTIC THEATRE.

Universal's powerful drama, "Air Mail," now showing at the Majestic Theatre, reveals why the intrepid government fliers crash even more often than their military colleagues. Flights must be made regardless of weather conditions or physical fitness. The "mail goes through" is a more stern motto than any which guides the service in peace time.

Ralph Bellamy, Pat O'Brien, Slim Summerville and Russell Hop-ton are seen as the daredevil flying quartette in the film with Gloria Stuart and Lillian Bond providing the feminine interest.

MAIL REVIEW

"IN A MONASTERY GARDEN"—QUEEN'S THEATRE.

Jealousy and the hatred for an elder brother, because of his success in an atmosphere where the younger brother has failed to make an impression, is the theme of "In A Monastery Garden" which is now showing at the Queen's Theatre.

Produced with the greatest care, this film is certainly an outstanding one and will appeal to many, not because of the beautiful organ music which fits throughout the film, but because of the very appealing story of an elder brother's utmost sacrifice.

The important roles are well filled, and the photography throughout is excellent. The film is recommended.

MAIL REVIEW

"THE LOVE DEBT"—ORIENTAL THEATRE.

Based on the life story of the actress herself, Lai Ming-fay, and culminating in the sensational Fung Murder Trial, "The Love Debt" is now playing to crowded houses at the Oriental Theatre.

The producers have tried to get as near as possible to the details, but have not been very successful. The film is in Chinese with English captions every now and then.

GUARDIANS OF DEAD RULER.

Historic Finds In Ancient Tomb.

BURIAL CHAMBER OPENED.

Cairo. Bodies of two slaves, with their armour of iron swords, axes and spears, were found in the outer chamber of a tomb in the Byzantine-Nubian cemetery at Ballana, on the West Bank of the Nile.

These men were the guardians of the door, watching over their master in death as they had in life.

The entrance to the tomb, which was covered by a mound 30 feet high, was formed by a ramp in which lay the bones of sacrificed animals. This led into the vaulted room in which were the bodies of the slaves. The skeleton of a sacrificed cow lay across the entrance.

Cutting through the door of the burial chamber, the excavators discovered the body of the owner, no doubt a tribal king or prince, lying in a semi-contracted position on the right side with his head to the south.

Still in position on the skull was a massive silver crown ornamented with busts of the goddess Isis, in relief, and set with semi-precious stones. Nearby lay his silver earrings, buried in the soil.

In his right hand the dead man held an iron sword with a silver hilt and sheath and on his left arm were two heavy silver bangles decorated with lions' heads. On the left wrist he wore a silver bow-guard and on his feet silver toe-rings and silver anklets decorated with silver discs. At the side of the burial chamber lay a large spear with a silver hilt and, with it, what appeared to be a silver mace-head.—Reuter.

POP—The Fortune Teller Rids Pop Of His Fortune.

By J. MILLAR WATT.



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CHILDREN'S DAY INAUGURATED

Health Exhibits At
Celebration.

DR. KOTEWALL'S ADDRESS

The opening ceremony of the "Children's Day" celebration, at the Hop Yat Church last night was performed by Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D., who addressed the meeting on the importance of exercising care in bringing up the child, both mentally and physically.

Mr. J. D. Bush, the Chairman of the organising committee, also spoke and explained the objects of the Chinese Children's Health Contest, which was associated with the same celebration.

Visitors were impressed with the excellent arrangement of the exhibition of various articles of baby food, clothing and toys for the children.

Before introducing the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, the chairman, Mr. J. D. Bush, explained the objectives in organising the exhibition. He said:

"I am convinced that few annual events in Hong Kong are as important as the opening of this exhibition to-night. This occasion indeed marks the culmination of all endeavours for the promotion of juvenile welfare in the Colony.

"In inaugurating this Children's Day, the committee aims at achieving one or two objectives. First, we want to fall in line with the National Child Welfare Association in Shanghai to set aside a special day every year to educate and arouse public opinion as regards the adequate care of children, physical as well as psychological—incidentally, to eradicate the evil of neglecting and ill-treating children in various forms."

Dr. Kotewall, who spoke in Chinese, said that this was the first Children's Day observed in Hong Kong, and it afforded him especial pleasure to perform the opening ceremony, as he considered that the movement was one of great importance to the future of the community.

"Most of the civilised countries observe a Children's Day," he said, "and such observance is attended with great enthusiasm in Great Britain, France, Germany, and America. In the twenty-second year of the Chinese Republic the Ministry of Education in Nanking ordered that April 4 of each year should be observed as Children's Day; and so, to-day many people in China know more or less what that day means."

"A year or two ago, the Chinese Y.M.C.A. in Hong Kong held several meetings for the purpose of promoting child welfare in the Colony. This public-spirited work of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. deserves great credit, but unfortunately its scope was somewhat restricted. Now Hong Kong has decided to fall in line with the other countries in the observance of a proper Children's Day. This proves that our community is ever progressive in deed as well as in thought."

Communal Position.
"That the position of the child in the community is all-important there cannot be any dispute. When young, the child constitutes the root of the community; when grown-up he is its prop. It is therefore essential that every care should be given to the upbringing of the child, both mentally and physically, so that he may become a better asset to the nation. The ancients in China paid special attention to the young. 'My wishes in regard to the young,' says Confucius, 'are to treat them tenderly.' Mencius also has these words: 'Treat the young in your own family, with the kindness due to youth so that the young in the families of others shall be similarly treated.'"

"In this hall to-day the public-spirited gentlemen who have promoted and organised this movement have arranged for a health contest among children, and for an exhibition of various articles of food, clothing and toys which careful study and practical experience have proven to be most suitable for children. We have therefore an admirable opportunity of learning how best to bring up the young."

"Those of us who are parents should fully avail ourselves of this opportunity to learn all that the organisation can teach us. But even those who are not parents should not neglect this splendid chance to acquire some knowledge of the care of the young; for it is the duty of every citizen, whether he or she has the responsibility of a

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LORD MAYOR'S REMARKS

London.
The first fur exchange in the world has been opened in London by the Lord Mayor, Sir Percy Greenaway. It is in the London headquarters of the Hudson Bay Company, and already 120 people have been elected members of the Exchange.

When the Lord Mayor, accompanied by the sheriffs, arrived in State, Mr. P. Ashley Cooper, Governor of the Hudson Bay Company, gave him a silver key to the door of the Strathcona room, in which the Exchange is accommodated.

Mr. Cooper said that furs worth from £12,000,000 to £18,000,000 were handled in London each year. It was largely an entrepot trade, and consequently affected many branches of commerce—shipping, banking and commerce in which London was so pre-eminent.

He mentioned the fact that the establishment of this Exchange was a step which the fur trade had taken on its own initiative.

The Lord Mayor had some very complimentary remarks to make about the Hudson Bay Company. He said that the powerful position which the Company occupied century after century had in large measure contributed to make London what it undoubtedly was to-day—the capital of the fur trade. Experience had built up a great store of knowledge from a primitive beginning with trifling transactions "where neither buyer nor seller knew more than the name of the animal whose pelt he was bartering, and when only seeing was believing."—Reuter.

parent or not, to assist in promoting the health and happiness of the younger generation."

Enthusiasm Urged.
Dr. Kotewall said that he had heard quoted rather glibly a saying of Confucius in refutation of his contention. It was this: "There never has been a girl who learned to bring up a child, so that she might afterwards marry." This saying was merely used by Confucius as an argument to illustrate a point, and was not applicable to the Children's Day activities, nor to present-day conditions.

"I earnestly hope," continued Dr. Kotewall, "that next year parents will show even greater enthusiasm in participating in the contest. It may be argued that Confucius deprecates contentions; but even Confucius conceded that in a matter concerning the virility of manhood and national defence, such as archery, contentions could not be avoided."

"If it was thought necessary to allow competition in the case of archery, how much more necessary is competition in the case of children who are to be the fathers and mothers of the future, and upon whom the happiness and prosperity of the family and of the nation so largely depend."

British Fliers Conquer Everest.
LORD CLYDESDALE LEADING EXPEDITION WHICH HAS ACHIEVED THE FIRST FLIGHT OVER WORLD'S HIGHEST MOUNTAIN. HIMALAYAN GIANT A HURRICANE CENTRE.



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MERCHANTS' MARINE INSURANCE CO.

Satisfactory Year
Reported.
ANNUAL STATEMENT OF
ACCOUNTS.

At the sixty-second ordinary general meeting of the Merchants' Marine Insurance Co., Ltd., held at the offices of the company in London, the Chairman, Mr. H. A. McPherson, C.B.E., stated that the operations of the company, at December 31, 1932, resulted in an underwriting profit.

The result of the 1932 Account has proved satisfactory for the third year in succession, showing a reduction in the claims ratio of 3.2 per cent as compared with the previous year's account.

The balance of the 1931 Account after payment of expenses of £40,571 4s. 6d., was on January 1, 1932, £162,688 9s. 11d. The net settlements during 1932 amounted to £103,854 9s. 1d., leaving a credit balance of £58,833 11s. 10d. To close this account £45,000 has been transferred to Underwriting Suspense Account, and £14,833 11s. 10d. to Profit and Loss Account.

In the 1932 Account, the net premiums amounted to £226,623 2s. 4d., and the claims paid to £44,080 16s. 10d.

The Employers' Liability Assurance Corporation, Ltd., will continue to guarantee all the company's policies issued on and after April 1, 1927.

In the Fire and General Account, the premiums for the year, after deduction of reinsurance amounts to £51,243 17s. 3d. The losses paid and outstanding to December 31 amounted to £26,684 8s. 7d. After providing for unexpired risks, the profit of £1,175 18s. 0d. has been transferred to Profit and Loss Account.

The market value of investments at December 31, 1932, was £193,730 0s. 9d. The sum of £15,000 has been transferred from the Profit and Loss Account to Investments Reserve Fund which now stands at £18,294 10s. 0d.

The reserve for Income Tax was increased during the year by refunds of taxation, and after transferring £2,600 to Profit and Loss, now stands at £3,945 18s. 2d.

LEGALISED GAMBLING IN FRANCE

Depriving Monte Carlo
Of Its Monopoly.

Paris.
Gamblers will shortly be able to play roulette and trente-et-quarante at any watering place or spa in France, and it will no longer be necessary for them to make the long journey to Monte Carlo for the purpose.

A commission appointed by the French Ministries of Finance and the Interior has adopted conclusions which will deprive Monte Carlo of its monopoly to indulge gamblers at roulette and trente-et-quarante, and the famous casino, already feeling the effects of the world depression, is likely to suffer as a result.—Reuter.

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GERMANY'S NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE POPE

Agreement Probable
In Rome.

SIGNIFICANCE OF AUSTRIAN
CHANCELLOR'S VISIT

Vatican City.

A concordat between the Vatican and Germany, prelates said to-day, will result from the conversations being held by the Pope, Cardinal Pacelli, papal secretary of state, and Vice-Chancellor Franz von Papen of Germany.

The concordat would embody the three existing agreements between the Vatican and Prussia, Bavaria and Baden. Informed prelates said agreements of the same scope might be concluded with many other countries.

It would regulate the affairs of church and state and would not mention the Hitlerites of the German Chancellor or the Catholic Centre Party of Germany or enter into the political situation in the Reich.

Capt. Von Papen and Capt. Herman Goering, German Minister without portfolio, were received separately, by Pope Plus while in Rome. Premier Mussolini and Chancellor Engelbert Dollfuss of Austria discussed the affairs of Central Europe.

Political observers believed Mussolini and Dollfuss discussed the proposal for a political union between Germany and Austria, each opposing it, but nothing was given out for publication.

In connection with the Vatican conferences, the Pope was known to oppose the existence of any Catholic group as a political party, such as the German Centrists, but it was denied that the Pope suggested to Capt. Von Papen the amalgamation of the Centrists and the Nazis, as reported.

The simultaneous conferences between representatives of the Vatican and of Italy, Germany and Austria stirred political circles here particularly but also all European capitals because of the revival of the German-Austria "anschluss" or union issue and others opposed by France and her allies, since the accession of Hitler to power in Germany.

The German Centrists occupied a strategic position in Germany until the balance of power between the Hitlerites and republicans and Communists was upset by the latter's success. Von Papen's predecessor as Chancellor was Dr. Heinrich Brüning, a member of the Centre Party, who resigned last June.—Associated Press.

SAMPAN MISTRESS FINED

Wong Shuen, sampan mistress was yesterday fined \$50 by Comdr. Newell at the Marine Court, for attempting to carry prostitutes to a Dutch vessel in the harbour.

Sergeant McKay of the Water Police said he stopped the accused on Tuesday night while she was proceeding to the vessel, but she denied all knowledge of her passengers' intentions.

IMPRISONMENT TERM FOR PRINCESS

Sentence Commuted
After Appeal.

Paris.

The appeal court of Aix-en-Provence has commuted the sentence of eight months' imprisonment without benefit of the first offenders act and a fine of 1,000 francs passed in default on Princess Hohenlohe (Née Luigina Fasquero).

The Princess was found guilty of issuing a cheque without cover and was sentenced by this court at Grasse. Her sentence has now been commuted to one month's imprisonment with benefit of the first offenders act and a fine of 500 francs.

The Princess pleaded that she had eventually paid the sum total of the cheque.—Reuter.

U.S. MAY OPPOSE FRENCH WINES.

Echo Of War Debt
Defalcation.

Paris.

"As a result of the attitude adopted by France with regard to war debts, it is by no means certain that French wines will be admitted to the United States, except subject to prohibitive taxation."

This pessimistic prophecy was made by M. Maurice Signoret, a foreign trade expert, who went to the United States on behalf of the Franco-American League to study the outlook for the French wine trade now that the pendulum has moved against prohibition.—Reuter.

CHIEF OFFICER'S SUICIDE.

Verdict At Inquest On
Mr. J. G. Smith.

The Coroner's jury found that the late Mr. John Gentle Smith committed suicide, at the inquest which was held at the Central Magistracy, yesterday afternoon.

The late Mr. Smith was found dead, with a bullet wound through the heart, on board the s.s. Sui Tai, of which he was Chief Officer, on March 22.

The Coroner was Mr. Wynne-Jones and the jury consisted of: Messrs. P. E. Baskett (foreman), F. J. da Silva Loureiro, and A. A. D'Azevedo.

CUSTOMS PIRACY VICTIMS.

Europeans' Funeral.

The funerals of Mr. E. E. Pierce and Mr. W. G. B. Baldwin, the victims of the Customs launch piracy on Monday, took place at Macao on Tuesday.

British, Portuguese and Chinese warships have been searching for the pirates but have met with no success up to the present.

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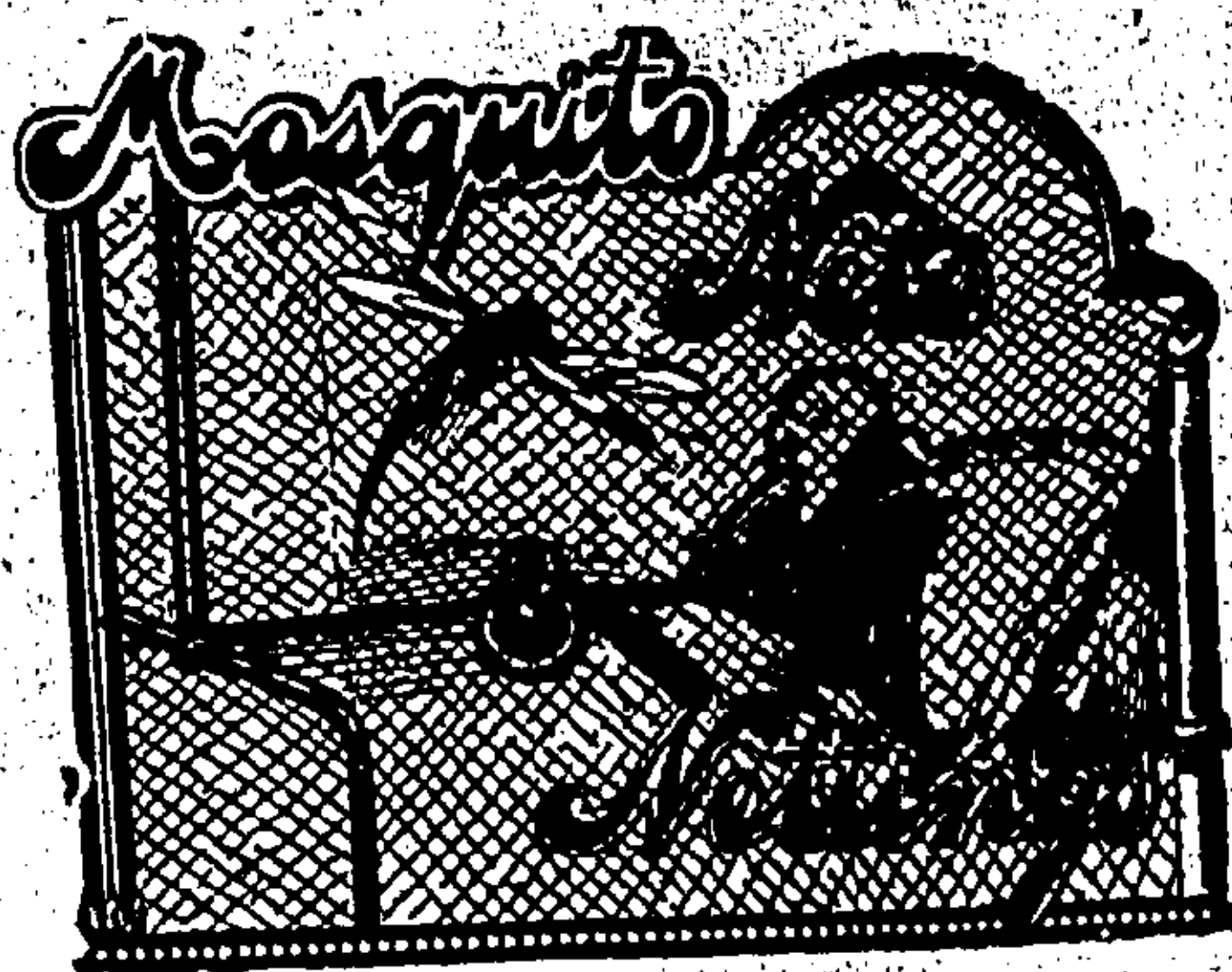
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Britain's Meagre Air Power.

In these anxious and critical days the British Parliament cannot and ought not to feel easy in mind when it listens to one Defence Minister after another excusing in almost identical terms the inadequacy of the Estimates which he is presenting. It was Sir Philip Sassoon's turn recently to offer the only sort of justification possible in explanation of the fact that the Royal Air Force, magnificent though it is in quality and personnel, stands only fifth, in terms of first-line strength, on the list of Air Powers. France has more than twice as many aeroplanes; Italy stands just ahead; the air-fleets of the United States and Japan are far stronger numerically. Ten Regular squadrons are still required to complete the programme approved as far back as 1923, and nothing is being done this year to make up the leeway. Sir Philip pleaded financial exigencies, and that, of course, is why one Air Minister after another has perforce been obliged to do so little. But he also pleaded the wholehearted desire of the Government to promote a successful issue of the Disarmament Conference as an even greater justification for continued acceptance of this country's relative weakness in the Air arm. Nevertheless, if British hopes of an all-round reduction in aerial war strength are frustrated by negative results at Geneva this extreme disparity cannot be allowed to go on, especially as Great Britain is peculiarly vulnerable from the air. Public opinion used to be extraordinarily sensitive to any challenge to British naval security. That has been largely blunted by the aeroplane, yet there has been no corresponding sensitiveness to the dangers of air attack. Whether this is due to a certain lack of imagination or, as Mr. Churchill suggested, to the "soothing syrup" which has been administered in such large doses, one day the harsh truth is

likely to be suddenly realised. If international agreement should unhappily fail it would become one of the first duties of any British Government materially to augment the first-line strength of the Royal Air Force and bring it up to what was considered the minimum standard required for safety in 1923.

British Agriculture's New Chapter.

A new chapter, or rather a brand new volume, is about to open for British farming, and the Agricultural Marketing Bill is its preface. This is the most hopeful agricultural scheme brought into Parliament within living memory, and is none the worse because it cuts right across the traditions of British political parties. The times are ripe for it, and it is itself the birth of the times. It originates out of world glut, bankrupt prices, and hard necessity. No Government five years ago would have thought of framing such proposals; producers and processors would have been up in arms against such wholesale interference with their individual rights. But old theories have had to go in face of the fact that the whole world was pouring its bankrupt stock on to the British market at bankrupt prices. That has already stopped in part, and this Bill will stop it much more effectually. Moreover, under Part II the home producers of the primary and the processors of the secondary products will be brought together and set to work out development schemes for the perfecting of their industries in their respective districts, so that the farmer who raises pigs and the factory which produces bacon can increase their supplies and market them at reasonable prices. All schemes are subject to Departmental approval; the interests of the small men are to be carefully protected, and danger of public exploitation can be checked by the admission of larger supplies from outside. Those who will the most must also consent to accept the means. The Bill is the virtual end of individualism in whatever branches of agricultural production are brought within its scope. Co-operation without compulsion has always failed; compulsion has always failed; but the industry is to be conducted on a planning, subject to Departmental approval, and the hope is that they will go straight ahead.

HERE, THERE and EVERYWHERE

Mr. Reilly Of Tipperary. Later in the afternoon Reilly returned to the Legation in order to obtain a visa. He met one of the bright young men whom he had entertained at luncheon. The secretary took the passport and was in the act of affixing the visa stamp when his eye caught the entry, "Place of birth—Tipperary."

"How comes it, Mr. Reilly," he asked coldly, "that your passport gives your birthplace as Tipperary, when at luncheon you yourself admitted several times that you were born at Odessa?"

Reilly waved a comprehensive arm. "There was a war and I came over to fight for England. I had to have a British passport and therefore a British birthplace, and you see, from Odessa it's a long, long way to Tipperary."

"Here is your visa, Mr. Reilly," said the secretary.

Britain's Master.

Of the ultimate fate of Sidney Reilly, master-spy of Britain, nothing certain is known. Recently, however, much light has been thrown on his origins. Many people have been surprised to learn that he had no British blood in his veins, and that his real name was Rosenblum.

Reilly himself, however, made no attempt to conceal his Russian birth. Shortly after the war he went to Prague on business with General Spears, took the junior members of the Legation out to luncheon, and entertained them with tales of his exploits, from his childhood in Odessa to his dramatic escape from Russia in 1918.

Your Daily Smile.

Young Wife (returning to village after runaway marriage): "I suppose my elopement was a nine-days' wonder?"

Villager: "It would 'ave been, mum, only Hogben's dog went mad the same 'evenin' and everybody was talking about that."

Corroboration.

Women discussed themselves very frankly at the annual conference of Women Committees of the Scottish Trade Union Congress in Dunfermline, though there were men present.

There was a division of opinion as to whether women should have a partial refund of their Health Insurance contributions on leaving employment to marry.

"Many women," said one, "feel that their vacation in life is to get married. Why, in Heaven's name, I don't know."

Judging from some of the women we have seen married, we don't either.

THE FAKER!

WIFE: Arthur! Don't tell me you were contemplating suicide.

HUSBY (who has just returned from rainy vacation and has his head in a gas oven): Suicide be hanged! I'm determined to return to the office with a scorched face somehow.

Waiting.

"Johnny, didn't I tell you to count fifty when you got angry with your brother?"

"I am counting. I'm sitting on him to make sure he's here when I get up."

IS THAT NICE.

HOST: It's beginning to rain; you'd better stop for dinner.

VISITOR: Oh, thanks very much, but it's not bad enough for that.

Facts You Did Not Know.

A new meter to be fastened to an automobile steering post shows how many miles a car is travelling for each gallon of gasoline used.

Petroleum has been obtained in India for nearly 100 years, first being taken from hand dug pits, some of which still are producing.

A California carpenter has constructed an invalid table from more than 10,000 small pieces of wood collected over a period of 20 years.

Tiny electric lamps mounted on the backs of seats have been installed in a London theatre to enable patrons to read programmes in the dark.

THEY ARE MARCHING TO MECCA AGAIN PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY CITY OF ARABIA

THE ROMANTIC CEREMONIAL

(By Kenneth Williams.)

Mecca! A word that is on a thousand lips daily! Yet what is it? Where is it? A hot, dry desert town in Western Arabia, shut in by surrounding mountains, with barren soil and no industries, a city whose harvest is but of one crop, humankind.

Such is Mecca. Yet its appeal reaches to the uttermost parts of the earth. There is no journey too arduous, no risk too great, for the faithful Moslems to reach this coveted goal.

And that, indeed, is the true meaning of Mecca, the birthplace of the Prophet Mahomet, the town towards which at this season the hearts of more than two hundred million Moslems are yearning. For in the first week of April will come the consummation of the Pilgrimage to the Holy Cities of Arabia.

Already some thousands of the Faithful have journeyed, or are journeying, to the Hejaz, the Holy Land of Arabia, in preparation for the performance of this sacred rite, which is obligatory on all Moslems who can afford to accomplish it. Naturally the world depression has reduced the number of would-be pilgrims. The slump in the price of rubber or in the price of cotton inevitably means fewer Malays and Egyptians at Mecca. But nothing short of a civil war in Arabia, and not always even that, will deter a certain number of the Faithful from visiting the towns of Mecca and Medina, where the author of their creed was born and where he preached. Thereby the Faithful earn the honoured title of *hajji*, or one who has performed the Pilgrimage.

Commercial Centre. Long before the advent of Islam, Mecca was a great commercial centre in Western Asia, a fair to which traders came from near and far. Like most founders of a new religion, the Prophet Mahomet, while stamping out numerous vices among the natives, incorporated certain practices traditional among the Arabs as he found them, and the annual concentration on Mecca was one of them. The Prophet, however, gave to it a wholly religious significance.

The British Empire, which is responsible for some 80,000,000 Moslems in India alone, is well aware of the ramifications of the faith which, arising in the deserts of Arabia, spread like wildfire about the time of our Dark Ages.

Practically every nationality is to be found in Mecca, but it is not to be supposed that every *hajji* enters the Holy City in the clothes of whatever country he inhabits. Every *hajji*, indeed, is dressed alike. For on reaching the *haram*, the sacred vicinity of Mecca, the pilgrim has to take off all his clothes and headgear and to put on the *thram*, which consists of two large towels, generally, but not necessarily, white in colour, the one for the shoulders, the other around the waist and downwards. No protection to the instep of the foot is permitted: this prohibition induces the wearing of sandals.

Nor is this the only prohibition under which the *hajji* (wearer of the *thram*) now acts. He may not cover his head (except with a sunshade), nor cut his hair or nails, nor shave, nor kill any creature save the dangerous, nor cut grass or plant within these sacred *haram* precincts.

From this time onwards the true *hajji* is in a state, bordering on spiritual ecstasy. He repeats the *talbiya*, that prayer which, like so many Islamic supplications, emphasises the unity of God: *Labbaiti, Allahuma, Labbaiti, Labbaiti, Labbaiti, Labbaiti*. ("Here am I, O God, at Thy Command! Here am I! Thou hast no partner, Here am I!")

Call To Prayer. Arrived in Mecca, the pilgrim, as soon as the *adzan*, or call to prayer, heard, goes down to the *haram*, or which the Kaaba is the centre, to perform the preliminary rites of the *hajj* and set. Seven times does he have to circumambulate the Kaaba, the House of God. These seven circuits, which constitute the *tawaf*, were borrowed from the ideas of the pagan Arabs. They are supposed to imitate the angels going about the Throne of God in Heaven.

It is during this ceremony, generally, that the Black Stone in the Kaaba, usually accounted to be a meteorite, is fervently kissed or touched by the *hajjis*.

Next comes the "running" between Safa and Marwa. This "running" or so commemorates Hagar's frantic search for water in the valley of Mecca to save the life of her child in the desert. After it has been performed, the pilgrim may have his hair cut. There are, consequently, many barbers' shops in Mecca.

The real beginning of the Pilgrimage is on the eighth day of the month of Dhu'l-hijja, which this year falls in the first week of April. (The Islamic months move round the solar year.) This is the Day of Arafat, towards which mountain, some few miles outside Mecca, all the pilgrims now move. The slopes of the hill are densely covered with tents, under which the polyglot pilgrims sleep or rest.

At Arafat the central feature is the sermon. In fact, the complete *hajji* must "stand" at the sermon preached by the *khatib* on Arafat; otherwise, he is no *hajji*. During this event there is much supplication. *Labbaiti! Labbaiti!* shouts the preacher; and in fits of emotion, often marked by tears, the assembled Moslems answer him by a waving of the upper part of their *thram*.

On the way back to Mecca the pilgrims stop at Mina on the tenth day of the month in order to "stone the Devil." This "Great Devil" is a piece of wall built against a rock, and at it seven stones are cast by everyone, each throw being accompanied by the words: "In the name of God, God is Greatest. I stone the wretched Devil." The first part of this formula is also used in the next ceremony, the playing of the sacrificial sheep or goats.

Rigid Principles

Having stayed three nights at Mina, the pilgrim returns to Mecca, once more to perform the *tawaf* round the Kaaba, or Cube. He is now a full *hajji*, and his return to Mecca is made with laughter and gladness in his heart. A shave and the donning of regular clothes await him.

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CHEUNG CHAU NOTES

Ideal Weather Attracts Visitors.

Cheung Chau, April 17. Ideal holiday weather attracted many visitors to the island; about 14 houses being occupied for the week-end, or part thereof. Quite a number of visitors left this afternoon on the "Sun Chow" which were glad to see back again after some days' absence at the Yuet Shing festival, the substitute boat being uncomfortably crowded.

The excitement of the week was the wreck of the Norwegian steamer *Fjorden*, on the Cheung Chau Rock. The rockets fired as distress signals were seen from the East coast.

The afforestation department have been planting seed and trees. Rain is needed to give these a start and to replenish some of the springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Mulcahy are leaving to-morrow (Tuesday) after an enjoyable honeymoon holiday. We are also bidding farewell to an old resident, Mr. S. A. C. Franklin, who leaves Hong Kong on the s.s. *Change*.

The probable site of the new Red Cross Hospital has been known for some time, but we understand that it has been definitely fixed to the East of the Police Station.

Near the shore a new roadway will be constructed through to the village. The building will be in the bungalow style with a basement. The roof will be in artistic Chinese style and we understand that the building alone will cost in the neighbourhood of \$20,000. Its construction in the near future is awaited with interest. Our Own Correspondent.

"REAL WIZARDS" IN COURT

Produce Peace And Prosperity.

ACQUITTED ON FALSE PRETENCES CHARGES

Wan Pak, 33, described as a "real wizard" and Chung Chik as a paint scraper, made their appearance before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy this morning to answer to two charges of false pretences by obtaining 10 and 30 cents from Yung Sze and Chung Shik, females respectively, at 181 Lockhart Road, by pretending that they were able to secure special benefits for them by wizardry.

Detective Inspector Elston who prosecuted said the accused were seen in Lockhart Road with a Chinese ledger painted in red, and having Chinese characters on the outside cover, which, when translated, read, "Offering condolences to the dead with the object of producing peace and prosperity in the locality."

The first accused, Inspector Elston said, was a "real wizard," by which he meant that the accused had been taught all the secrets of the subject by his father.

The second accused was only a paint scraper and knew nothing about the subject.

The accused were both arrested at the above address where they were collecting money. The entries in the ledger showed that they had done very well this week, said the Inspector.

His Honour asked Yung Sze, the first complainant, if she had hoped to derive any benefit from the wizard, but she failed to give an answer.

His Honour said it was not a very clear case and no evidence had been produced to show that the accused had been practicing. The accused were acquitted.

CHINESE YOUTH WITH A RECORD.

Six Months' Term For Theft Of Coins.

FOUR PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS

Au Fuk, a 16 year-old Chinese boy with four previous convictions for larceny and a banishment order for 6 years which has just expired, was this morning sentenced to 6 months' hard labour by Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy.

Court Inspector Brennan said the accused had just arrived in the Colony from Canton, and had been caught by an Indian Police Constable running away from a money changer's shop at Queen's Road, with a package of \$100 in 20 cent coins.

The complainant was later identified as Lau Hung-kee, a druggist who had been changing notes into silver and who had been in the act of putting the packages of coins into a rattan basket, when the accused snatched one of them and made off.

BANISHEE GAOLED

Premature Returns From Kongmoon.

Leung Wing, a banishee, appeared before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy this morning, to answer to a charge of a breach of the Deportation Ordinance.

Accused said he came to the Colony from Kongmoon with the sole intention of going up to Swatow.

Court Inspector Brennan said the accused who had been banished on June 14, 1923 for 18 years had another two months to go.

His Honour imposed a sentence of four months' hard labour.

BEGGING IN PEDDER STREET.

Woman Fined.

A Chinese female beggar was this morning fined \$10 or in default serve 14 days imprisonment for begging in Pedder Street yesterday afternoon.

Mr. W. R. Scott, the Director of Criminal Intelligence, stated in evidence that while waiting in his car at the entrance of the Hong Kong Hotel in Pedder Street yesterday afternoon, the accused approached his car and put her head through one of the windows.

She was chased away and later arrested by an Indian constable in Queen's Road.

EDUCATION BOARD MEETING

New Director & Member Welcomed.

RESOLUTIONS CARRIED**Fire Precautions For School Premises**

The 88th. meeting of the Board of Education was held this afternoon, presided over for the first time by the new Director of Education, Mr. N. L. Smith.

Among the resolutions passed was the appointing of two members to consider the education estimates for 1934, and the appointment of a committee to deal with questions in connection with the proposed School Leaving Certificates and Matriculation Examinations.

Sir William Hornell on behalf of the Board, welcomed the new Director of Education.

The Chairman on behalf of the Board welcomed Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro Jr., who had been appointed a member of the Board.

The Chairman informed the Board that the new Junior Technical School was opened early in February.

The Reports of the Medical Officer of Schools for the months of January and February were laid on the table.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions were carried unanimously:—

(a) "That the Board desires to place on record its deep appreciation of the services rendered to the Colony's education by Mr. G. P. de Martin during his 29 years of service as Master, Inspector of Schools and Director of Education."

(b) "That the Board appoint a Committee consisting of the Chairman, the Hon. Mr. S. W. Tao, and Mr. B. Wylie to consider the Education Department Estimates for 1934 and to report to the Board."

(c) "That this Board recommend that the Governor in Council should make the following additions to the Regulations made under section 12 of the Education Ordinance:—

23A. "Every manager of a registered school in respect of which registration is or may be under consideration shall give or cause to be given to the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade, or to any officer of the Fire Brigade deputed by him, all reasonable facilities to inspect, from time to time, the school premises with a view to ascertaining the precautions taken and available against fire and the suitability of such premises for use as a school touching matters with which the Fire Brigade is concerned, and reporting thereon to the Director."

Every such manager shall comply with the requirements considered and notified by the Director to be necessary for the proper conduct of the school as regards precautions and steps to be taken to prevent or mitigate danger or accident from fire."

(d) "That the Board recommend to the Government that Regulation 8 of the Regulations made under section 12 of the Education Ordinance 1913 be rescinded and the following substituted:—

8. Latrine accommodation shall be provided in every school to the satisfaction of the Director."

(e) "That the Board recommend to Government the substitution of the following Regulation for the present Regulation 18:—

18. Before any teacher is employed in any school the written permission of the Director for the particular employment contemplated must be obtained. Where the application is for permission to employ a male person as a teacher in a school for girls such application must be accompanied by a written statement, made by the applicant, of the special circumstances on which the application is based."

(f) "That the Board appoint the following Committee to deal with all questions in connection with the proposed School Leaving Certificates and Matriculation Examinations:—
Director of Education, Inspector of English Schools, Rev. A. D. Stewart, Rev. G. Byrne, and Rev. F. L. D."

TEASING CHINESE SCHOOL GIRLS

Gao Employee Admonished.

CHARGE OF ASSAULTING INDIAN CONSTABLE

"There is no case, the accused was perfectly within his rights in approaching the constable and asking the reason for a telling off," remarked Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy this morning, when addressing Court Inspector Brennan, in connection with an assault case in which the Police alleged that Choi Loy, an employee of the Victoria Gao, assaulted an Indian constable by taking him by the elbow and making him fall.

The charge arose from an incident outside the main gate of the Victoria Gao yesterday afternoon, when the accused, with two other Chinese schoolgirls who were just leaving the Glenageary Schools. The constable who was nearly reprimanded the accused. He then proceeded to the gao but felt his elbow grasped.

The constable turned but slipped and fell heavily.

His Honour said the accused was in no way responsible for the constable's fall and the charge would therefore fail. The accused was discharged, but was recommended by the Bench to behave himself while on the streets and leave schoolgirls alone.

DEPORTEE FOUND NOT GUILTY.

Breach Of Order Charge Fails.

A verdict of "Not Guilty," was returned in the case in which Kwok Ping was charged with a breach of a deportation order, at the resumed hearing this morning at the Supreme Court, before Mr. Justice Wood, the Acting Chief Justice, and a jury consisting of Messrs. W. Kershaw (foreman), T. C. T. Beck, A. Claeys, Lam How-cho, R. McArthur Keown, E. Butler and F. Tock.

Mr. H. C. Macnamara, defending, yesterday questioned the legality of the order against the prisoner, for two reasons; that the order had been made out on Form 7, instead of Form 7a, and that the order had not stated that he had been convicted in the Colony, but merely that he had "been convicted of stealing by a trick."

His Lordship delivered the verdict of the Court, this morning on the ground that the Crown case was not made out.

News In Brief

A Pekinese dog, owned by Mr. Fung Lai-chun, bit a Chinese girl Yu-Lock, yesterday evening at Ma-tau-ko, and was sent for observation.

Yim Ching-chung, a Chinese male, was yesterday evening rescued from the Harbour at Kennedy Town by a coal coolie, Chan Chui, after the former had failed in his attempt to commit suicide.

Ip Yün, a Chinese girl of 9, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital yesterday evening, suffering from shock and bruises, as a result of being knocked down by motor lorry No. 1973 at Canton Road.

Mr. E. G. Dale, A.M., inst. C.E., of Messrs. Leigh and Orange, made a report to the Police that a gold watch of his was either lost or stolen from his jacket pocket between Lyemun Villas and the P. & O. Building yesterday evening.

WEATHER FORECAST

Mist or light rain, cloudy with moderate Northeast winds, is forecasted in the report issued from the Royal Observatory this morning.

Short.**Present.**

Director of Education—Mr. N. L. Smith, B.A. (Chairman), Senior Inspector of Vernacular Schools—Mr. Y. P. Law, B.A., Mr. A. El Azzouli, Rev. F. Byrne, B.J., Ph.D., Capt. R. S. Cannon, M.A., A.E.C., Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, Jr., Mr. H. B. C. Dowling, O.B.E., Sir William Hornell, C.I.E., M.A., Rev. F. B. Borth, Hon. Mr. S. W. Tao, O.B.E., LL.D., and Mr. H. E. Woolf, LL.D.

To-Day's Short Story.**THE LORD MARQUIS OF CARABAS**

By Charles Perrault.

THERE was a miller who had left no estate to the three sons he had than his mill, his ass and his cat. The partition was soon made. Neither the scrivener nor attorney were sent for. They would soon have eaten up all the patrimony. The eldest had the mill, the second the ass, and the youngest nothing but the cat.

The poor young fellow was quite comfortless at having so poor a lot. "My brothers," said he, "may get their living handsomely enough by joining their flocks together; but for my part, when I have eaten up my cat, and made me a muf of his skin, I must die with hunger." The Cat, who heard all this, but made as if he did not, said to him with a grave and serious air: "Do not thus afflict yourself, my good master; you have nothing else to do but to give me a bag and get a pair of boots for me, that I may scamper through the dirt and brambles, and you shall see that you have not so bad a portion in me as you imagine."

Though the Cat's master did not build very much upon what he said, he had, however, often seen him play a great many cunning tricks to catch rats and mice; as when he used to hang by the heels, or hide himself in the meal, and make as if he was dead; that he did not altogether despair of his affording him some help in his miserable condition. When the Cat had what he asked for, he booted himself very gallantly, and putting his bag about his neck, he held the strings of it in his fore-paws, and went into a warren where was a great abundance of rabbits. He put bran and sowthistle into his bag, and stretching himself out at length, as if he had been dead, he waited for some young rabbits, not yet acquainted with the deceptions of the world, to come, and rummage his bag for what he had put into it.

Scarce was he laid down but he had what he wanted; a rash and

BOOM IN GERMAN BEER-JUGS.

Cologne.

Stoneware manufacture in the Westerwald district is the only industry in the Rhineland now showing signs of a revival, according to an official report.

This is because many stoneware manufacturers have received large orders for beer jugs and beer mugs for export to the United States, in anticipation of repeal of prohibition.—Reuter.

Personal Pars.

Lt. Comdr. R. F. McCall arrived in the Colony on the Empress of Japan.

Sir John and Lady Higgins were also passengers for Hong Kong by the P. and O. Carthage.

Mr. J. D. Kemp was a passenger on the s.s. Sirdhana which arrived from Singapore yesterday.

Capt. W. C. Craven arrived in the Colony yesterday, by the Empress of Japan from the North.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Tucker, Miss Tucker and infant arrived in the Colony to-day by the P. and O. s.s. Carthage.

Mr. M. Murrie, Mr. D. Keating and Mr. G. C. Scott were passengers from Singapore by the s.s. Sirdhana which arrived yesterday.

Judge and Mrs. H. Reyes and Miss and Master Reyes were passengers on the Empress of Japan which arrived in Hong Kong yesterday.

Among the passengers who arrived in the Colony this morning by the P. and O. s.s. Carthage were Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Shannon, Mr. H. Elliott, Mr. H. G. Hegarty, Colonel C. Thornhill, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hamilton and Miss Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. J. Fisher, Miss F. Fisher, Mr. J. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Bannister, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Bannister, and Mr. and Mrs. G. Schneider.

foolish young rabbit jumped into his bag, and Monsieur Puss, immediately drawing close the strings took and killed him without pity. Proud of his prey, he went with it to the palace, and asked to speak with his Majesty. He was shown upstairs into the King's apartments, and making a low reverence, said to him: "I have brought you, sir, a rabbit of the warren, which my noble Lord, the Marquis of Carabas" (for that was the title which Puss was pleased to give his master) "has commanded me to present to your Majesty from him." "Tell thy master," said the King, "that I thank him, and that he does me a great deal of pleasure."

Another time he went and hid himself among some standing corn, holding still his bag open; and when a brace of partridges ran into it he drew the strings and so caught them both. He went and made a present of them to the King, as he had done before of the rabbits which he had taken in the warren. The King in like manner received the partridges with great

TO-MORROW'S STORY.

To-morrow's story will be "The Engagement Ring" by Gerald Heldt.

pleasure, and ordered him some Malvoisie to drink.

The Cat continued for two or three months thus to carry his Majesty, from time to time, game of his master's taking. One day, in particular, when he knew for certain that he was to take the air along the riverside with his daughter, the most beautiful princess in the world, he said to his master: "If you will follow my advice your fortune is made; you have nothing else to do but to go and wash yourself in the river, in the part that I shall show you, and leave the rest to me." The Marquis of Carabas did what the Cat advised him to do without knowing why or wherefore.

While he was washing the King passed by, and the Cat began to cry out as loud as he could: "Help, help, my Lord Marquis of Carabas is going to be drowned." At this noise the King put his head out of the coach window, and finding it was the Cat who had often brought him such good game, he commanded his guards to run immediately to the assistance of his lordship, the Marquis of Carabas.

While they were drawing the poor Marquis out of the river, the Cat came up to the coach and told the King that "while his master was washing there came by some rogues who went off with his clothes, though he had cried out 'Thieves! Thieves!' several times as loud as he could." This cunning Cat had hidden them under a great stone. The King immediately commanded the officers of his wardrobe to run and fetch one of the best suits for the Lord Marquis of Carabas.

The King caressed him after a very extraordinary manner; and as the fine clothes he had given him extremely set off his good mien (for he was well made and very handsome in his person), the King's daughter took a secret inclination to him, and the Marquis of Carabas had no sooner cast two or three respectful and somewhat tender glances at her, than she fell in love with him to distraction. The King would needs have him come into the coach and partake of the airing. The Cat, quiet overjoyed to see his project begin to succeed, marched on before, and meeting some countrymen who were mowing a meadow, he said to them: "Good people, you who are mowing, if you do not tell the King that the meadow you mow belongs to my Lord Marquis of Carabas, you shall be chopped as small as herbs for the pot."

The King did not fail of asking of the mowers to whom the meadow they were mowing belonged. "To my Lord Marquis of Carabas," answered they altogether; for the Cat's threats had made them terribly afraid. "You see, Sir," said the Marquis, "this is a meadow which never fails to yield a plentiful harvest every year." The Master Cat who went still on before them, met with some reapers, and said to them: "Good people, you who are reaping, if you do not tell the King that all this corn belongs to the Marquis of Carabas, you shall be chopped as small as herbs for the pot."

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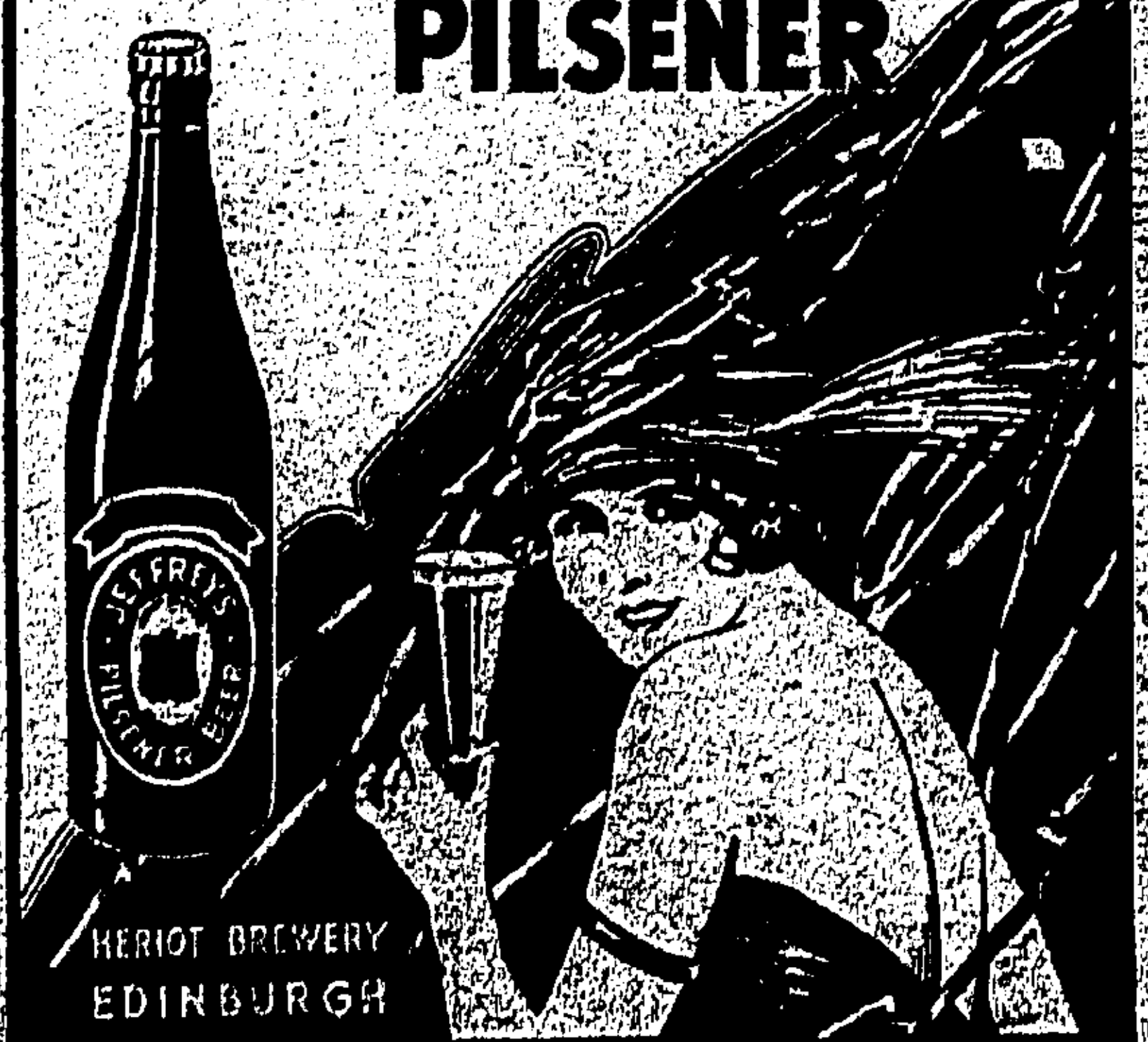
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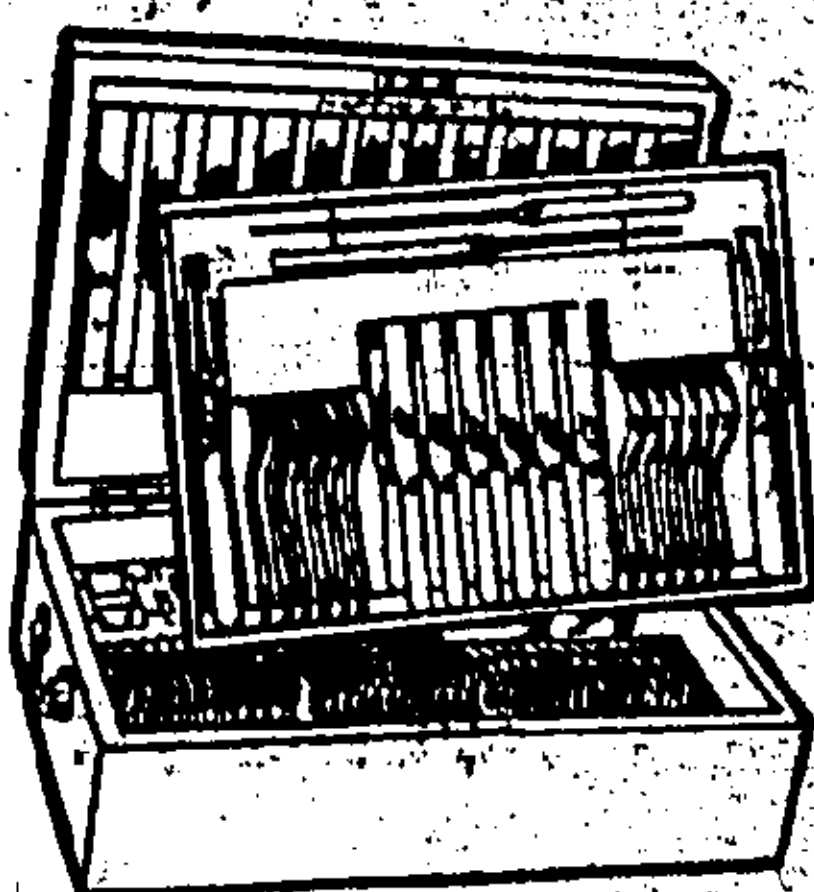
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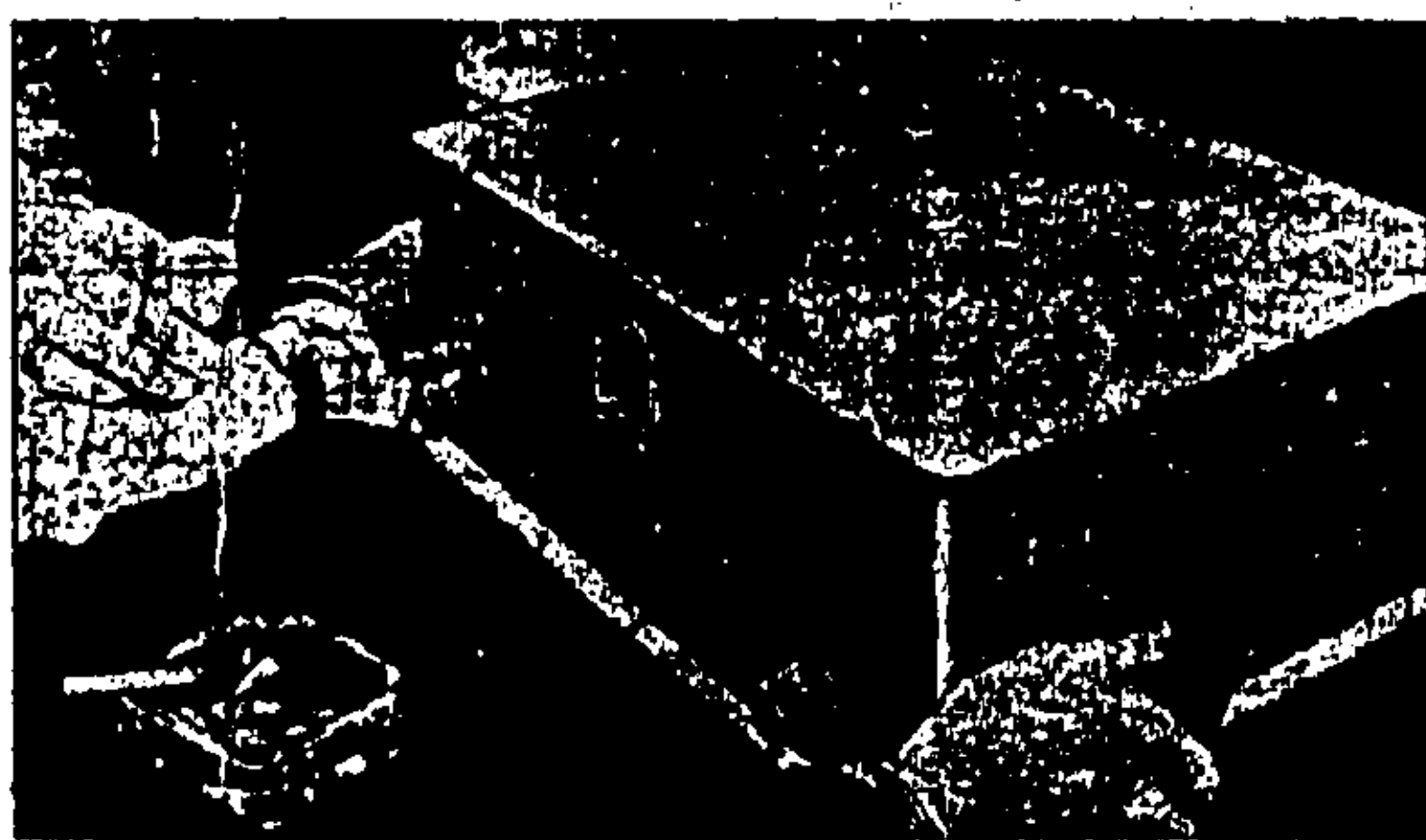
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Correspondence

ROTTEN ROW IN COLONY.

[To the Editor, "China Mail."]

Sir, — "Conservative" mixed feelings lead one to infer that he is not totally devoid of consideration for his mount.

The riding-school in Kowloon has not any rides that "clamber and twist about the hill-sides." There is only a small circular track where novices are taught to ride, and to show consideration for their ponies.

Perhaps "Conservative" would enjoy carrying a mount weighing in the neighbourhood of a hundred and fifty pounds up a mountain path—I feel sure that his mount does not.

The suggested ride at Kai Tak would provide for business men who have only about an hour to spare in the mornings before going to the office.

Mr. Blake on the other hand shows that he is concerned not merely with "healthy rides," but agrees with me that all classes of the local community should be provided for, even though one class be at present comparatively small.

Yours, etc.,

HONGKONG.

Hong Kong, April 20.



STILL BRIGHTER GOLF.

Duncan Proposes Hole Be Made Smaller.

It is interesting to hear that, while Sarazen's recent proposal for a larger hole is still intriguing golfers on both sides of the Atlantic, George Duncan has suggested an experiment in the opposite direction, and the promoters of the annual short course professional championship at Torquay have accordingly in contemplation the use of a hole smaller than the regulation 4 1/4 in. The idea apparently is to increase the value of accurate putting, especially in regard to the long approach putt, and to obviate as far as possible the all too frequent fuke in the short game.

This short course championship is to be held on May 23, 24, and 25, and invitations to take part have been sent to the leading professionals. As in previous years the competition will be a 72-hole medal on the Palace Hotel (Torquay) short course, £250 in prize money being offered by the proprietor. In addition £100 is to be put up by the Torquay and South Devon Club for a 36-hole medal competition on the South Devon course.

SIX INCH GOLF HOLE TESTED
Bigger Hole Helps Inferior Player.

London, March 28. In order to test the feeling of golfers on the question of a larger hole, as advocated by Gene Sarazen, champion of both Britain and America, the Chertsey Club promoted a tournament open to all amateurs at their course at Laleham. Instead of Sarazen's 8-in. hole, which the club, no doubt, thought was carrying the idea too far, they instituted a 6-in. hole against the regulation 4 1/4 in. hole.

A comparison of the two holes on a golf green creates a feeling that it is impossible to miss a putt of anything up to six or seven feet, though in actual practice the putting is not so easy as it looks. The reason for this is that a player, growing careless, bangs the ball at the hole in the belief that he cannot fail. The consensus of opinion, both as regards low and high handicappers, seemed to be that the large hole did not make the game any the more interesting and certainly was not an improvement. The increased size helped the inferior player who stumbled on to the green with the third shot and held out with his fourth.

SUTCLIFFE AND LARWOOD ON TOP

YORKSHIREMAN'S FINE IMPROVEMENT

LARWOOD'S LEG THEORY BRINGS SUCCESS

FINAL M.C.C. AVERAGES

SCORING 294 runs more than "Wally" Hammond with one more innings to his credit, Herbert Sutcliffe headed the M.C.C. batting averages for the tour in Australia with an aggregate total of 1,436 and an average of 68.38. He hit five centuries as against the Gloucestershire all-rounder's three. During the 1928-9 tour under Percy Chapman Hammond headed the averages with 91.35 for an aggregate of 1,553. Sutcliffe was sixth with 53.25 for 852.

Harold Larwood, largely responsible for the biggest cricket sensation in the annals of the game, heads the bowling with 64 wickets at a cost of 15.39 a piece. No other bowler passed the half century.

During his last tour in Australia Larwood took 40 wickets at a cost of 21.45 a piece.

The following were the M.C.C. averages for all matches played in Australia.

	BATTING				
	Ins.	R.	H.S.	N.O.	Av.
Sutcliffe	22	1,436	194	1	68.38
Hammond	21	1,442	203	2	60.10
Nawab of Pataudi	16	769	166	1	51.26
Leyland	23	914	152	1	41.54
D. R. Jardine	22	745	103	3	39.21
Ames	23	816	121	2	38.85
Paynter	20	644	102	3	37.83
Tate	12	225	94	6	37.50
R. E. S. Wyatt	27	917	73	2	36.68
Larwood	15	298	98	2	22.92
G. O. Allen	16	411	66	0	22.83
F. R. Brown	16	300	51	7	20.00
Voce	17	179	46	6	16.27
Verity	19	306	54	3	19.12
Duckworth	12	110	27	3	12.22
Mitchell	13	88	32	1	7.35
Bowes	12	42	20	5	6.00

Also batted: Hobbs 1—44—0; P. F. Warner 1—1—0.

	BOWLING				
	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.
Larwood	296.1	48	889	64	13.89
Paynter	32.2	7	71	5	14.20
Verity	347.7	124	765	47	16.27
Mitchell	224.2	22	858	48	17.87
G. O. Allen	259.7	41	932	39	23.89
F. R. Brown	153.6	22	620	24	25.83
Bowes	262	34	1,021	38	26.80
Tate	165.7	27	512	18	28.44
Voce	276.2	35	972	33	29.45
Hammond	208.2	39	589	20	29.45

Also bowled: Wyatt 18—2—74—1; Leyland 17.2—77—2; Ames 16—1—51—1; Jardine 13—3—42—0; Sutcliffe 4—0—21—0; Nawab of Pataudi 1—0—12—1.

GREAT SCOT WINS CITY AND SUBURBAN

20-1 Chance At Epsom

London, To-day. The City and Suburban Handicap, run at Epsom yesterday over a mile and two furlongs, resulted—

ed:—

Great Scot	1
Pommame	2
Colorado Kid	3

Betting:—20 Great Scot, 10 Pommame, 11/2 Colorado Kid.

Thirteen ran. Won by a length with three lengths between second and third.—Renter.

Thirteen ran. Won by a length with three lengths between second and third—Reuter.

China Mail Sports Diary.

TO-MORROW

Hockey—Friendly Match: Hong Kong Hockey Club "A" v. H.M.S. Hermes.

(King's Park, 6.15 p.m.)

SATURDAY

Football—First Division

Navy v. Lincolns

Royal Artillery v. Kowloon

Police v. South Wales Borderers

Club v. Chinese Athletics

Shooting

Hong Kong Rifle Club

monthly competition

(2.30 p.m.)

Yachting

Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club's

Closing Cruise

SUNDAY

Football—First Division

St. Joseph's v. South China

Shooting

Hong Kong Rifle Club

monthly competition

(10 a.m.)

AREA SPORTS OFF

The second day of the H.K. Area

Athletic Meeting, scheduled for this

afternoon, has been postponed owing

to the rain.

AUSTIN'S SHORTS

Unprecedented Change In Fifth Set.

LONDON v PARIS GAME.

London, March 21. LONDON beat Paris in the lawn tennis match at Dulwich by 12 rubbers to 9.

They had won the contest when Jean Borotra flew from Paris to partner A. Gentien against H. W. Austin and J. S. Ollie.

At one time it looked good for the English pair, but Borotra pulled the match round. Austin, who was fully extended in his singles by Paul Feret, afterwards declared that he would never again play in trousers.

Austin did something that has never been done in a tennis match before. Each man had won two sets. The fifth was to decide. Then Austin, who had been playing in trousers, sent to the dressing room for his shorts.

They were brought on to the court, and Austin, stepping through a side door, hurriedly changed into them, returned, and proceeded to win the set and the match. But it is a moot point that the referee should have reminded him of the rule which says that play must be continuous. Paris has now won 12 times and London 6.

Ladies' Swimming Suits

The Amateur Swimming Association has decided to allow women to wear backless costumes for all their competitions. Costumes of one piece may now be "openwork at the back and sides in the case of men, and at the back in the case of women. The skirt variety is optional." Under the old rule the costumes had to reach nearly up to the neck, back and front. Sea and sun bathing costumes are now completely backless for both sexes, the front being held by a loop round the neck.

HOME NEWS IN CUP FINAL REFEREES

Warwickshire Cricket Club for the second successive year suffered a loss of over £2,000. Mr. H. W. Bainbridge, who presided at the annual meeting, said 28 matches had been arranged for next season but he feared the number would have to be reduced to 24 and the policy of playing matches outside Birmingham discontinued.

After the water polo match, when Penguins beat Coventry in the final of the English Club Championship of the Amateur Swimming Association, the referee, Mr. H. Crapper, complained that a Coventry player ran off with the ball, which was to have been sold to raise funds.

In the event of a draw in the Cup Final, Everton v. Manchester City, at Wembley on April 29, the teams will replay on the following Wednesday at Blackburn. The appointment of Mr. E. Wood (Barnsley) as referee has already been announced. Messrs. G. O. Gould (London) and F. Radcliffe (Middlesex) have been nominated to act as linesmen.

The Duke of York played for the Ranelagh Club in their match against a team of House of Commons golfers at Barnes. In his single against Lord Castletown the Duke won by 7 and 5, and completing the round had a score of 72. In the afternoon he partnered Colonel R. H. Brand, and the pair defeated Lord Castletown and Major C. E. Entwistle by 6 and 4. Ranelagh won by 20 1/2 points to 9 1/2, taking the singles by 14 to 6, and the fourfours by 14 to 14.

In the final of the Women's Amateur Snooker Championship at the Burroughes Hall, in Boro Square, London, Miss Quinn beat Miss Ballantyne by four games to one.

The annual tennis match between the Royal Artillery and the Royal Engineers, which was played this year in the W.M. Ground at Wokingham, April 28th and 29th, was won by the Artillery, 2-1.

DAILEY BEATS CHARLES WHITCOMBE IN FINAL

Rising British Golfer.

London, Apr. 8.

In the Rochampton £200 Professional Golf Tournament, for which 21 potential Ryder Cup players competed, fifteen failed to qualify, including Havers, Alliss, Mitchell, Dunstan, Compston and Seymour, the holder.

The semi-finalists were all Ryder Cup players. Charles Whitcombe beat Padgham by one hole and Dailey, who led in the qualifying round with 141 best Green 7/8.

In the final Dailey of Bradley Hall beat Whitcombe of Crewes Hill by 8/6. From the 18th hole of the first round, Dailey did not lose a single hole, winning 42 in succession.

ARMY HOCKEY CUP FINAL

King's Shropshire Light Infantry Win.

Fielding the same teams who had won through the semi-final stage, the King's Shropshire Light Infantry and the 2nd Bn. Loyal Regt. met in the final of the Army Hockey Cup tournament. The trophy went to the Shropshires after a stubbornly-contested, gruelling game, in which they scored the only goal.

It was during the first twenty minutes, when the Shropshires set up a tremendous attack, that the Loyals were shaken, and Lt. V. W. Rees went through to hit the all-important goal.

In the second half, the Loyals, who were undoubtedly the fresher team, fought back tenaciously. Though they were continuously on the attack, however, they failed to press home their advantage sufficiently to beat the Shropshires' goalkeeper, Bandsman Banner. Lt. J. W. Galtner, the Army and I.S.B.A. welter-weight boxing champion of 1928 and 1929, and Lt. J. R. Cole were outstanding players on the defeated side.

ESSEX NOT TAKING LEYTON GROUND.

Severing Connection In September.

London, March 28.

Essex County Cricket Club have abandoned the scheme to purchase the Leyton ground, owing to insufficient support, and at the end of September the club will sever its connection with the ground.

In 1934 the county matches will be allocated to Brentwood, Chelmsford, Clacton, Colchester, Southend and Westcliff-on-Sea.

The total membership in 1932 compared with 1931 was 1,943, as against 2,240. The balance sheet shows a loss of £499.9.8. Mr. T. N. Pearce and Mr. D. Wilcox have accepted the joint captaincy in succession to Mr. H. M. Morris, who resigned owing to business calls. Next season Essex will play all the counties with the exception of Nottinghamshire and Leicestershire. The match against Yorkshire on July 12, 13 and 14 has been set apart for the benefit of Jack O'Connor.

GUYS RETAIN HOSPITAL CUP BY 7-0

Doubtful Dropped Goal Against Bart's.

In a terrific struggle at the Richmond Athletic Ground, Guy's retained possession of the Hospitals Cup by defeating "Bart's" in the final, by 7-0.

The game, watched by a record crowd, was fought out at a furious pace, chiefly between the forwards. Guy's had what luck was going, and so deserved their victory. "Bart's" were unfortunate in having a doubtful dropped goal allowed against them.

Seven minutes after the interval the ball came out to J. E. Glenn, who let fly at goal. The ball headed heavenwards and to most people appeared to be what in the old days they called a "postie." It did not go over the top of a post, but the referee thought otherwise, and allowed the goal.

HONGKONG WIN CRICKET SOCCER & TENNIS AGAINST SWATOW

game in aid of the Children's Playing Grounds Committee. This game will be played on May 26 and the two teams will be selected later.

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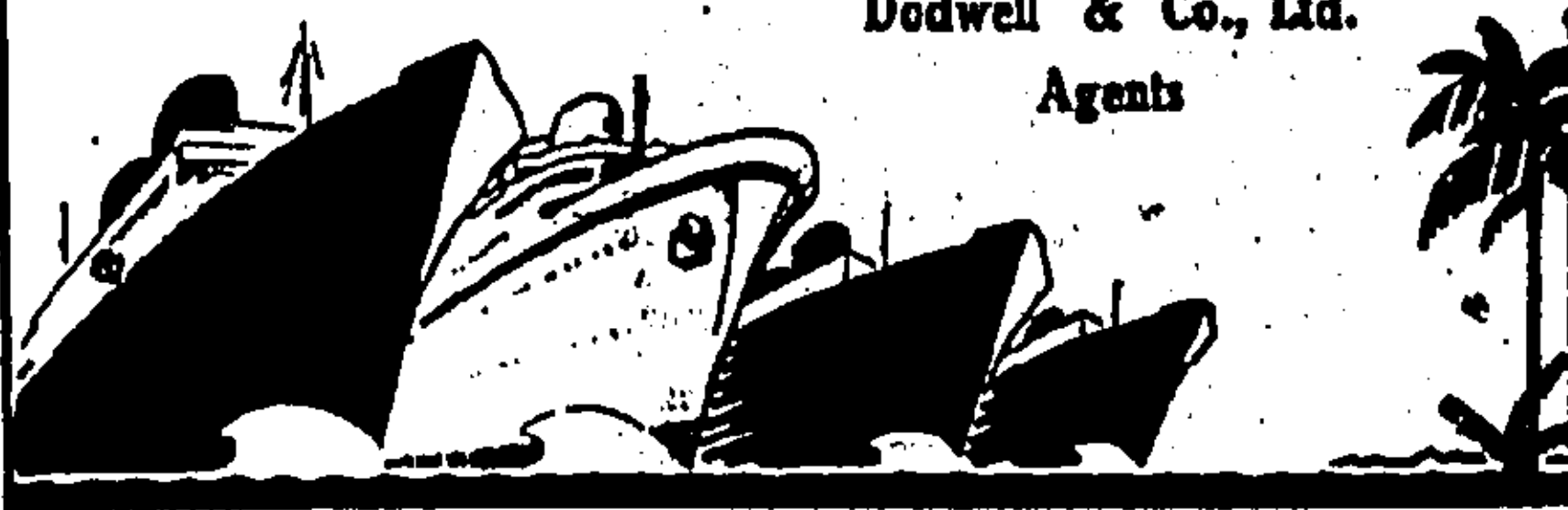
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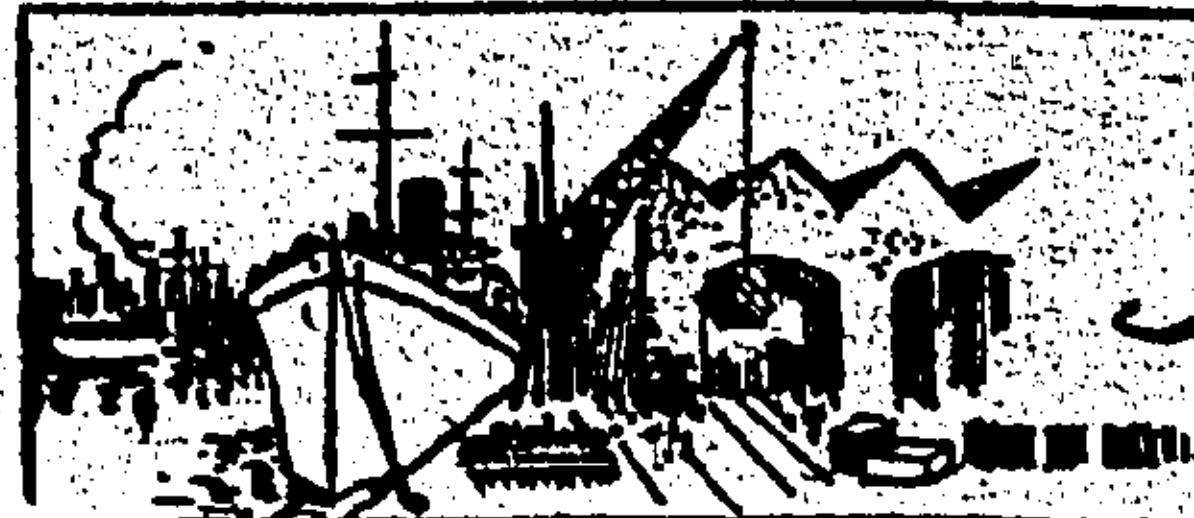
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Shipping Intelligence.

ARRIVAL OF SHIPS

Tuesday, April 18.
New Mathilde, British str., 842 tons, Capt. Mitchell, from Canton, buoy No. B18—Yik Tai & Co.

Wednesday, April 19.
Canton Maru, Japanese str., 1,647 tons, Captain Iwasaki, from Swatow, O.S.K. Wharf—O.S.K.

Carthage, British str., 7,810 tons, Capt. H. Jack, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Chong Lee, Chinese str., 1,249 tons, Capt. Nagakawa, from Canton, buoy No. B12—Loone Tai Hong.

Empress of Japan, British str., 15,728 tons, Capt. Douglas, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf—C.P.R.

Glenshiel, British str., 5,303 tons, Capt. Sanders, from Shanghai, buoy No. A1—J.M. & Co.

Havana Maru, Japanese str., 3,451 tons, Captain I. Tada, from Sakito, Stonecutters—O.S.K.

Hermid, Norwegian str., 840 tons, Capt. Ollassen, from Bangkok, buoy No. B6—Thoresen & Co.

Helikon, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. W. Anderson, from Saigon, buoy No. B5—Wo Fat Sing.

Hydrangea, British str., 561 tons, Capt. Grierson, from Swatow, Chiu On Wharf—Chiu On S.S. Co.

Kanchow, British str., 1,222 tons, Capt. J. D. Whyte, from Canton, buoy No. B19—B. & S.

Kwai Sang, British str., 1,435 tons, Capt. P. R. Gay Cuming, from Canton, buoy No. B2—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

London Maru, Japanese str., 4,413 tons, Capt. S. Kishimoto, from Sakito, Stonecutters—O.S.K.

Lyeemoun, British str., 1,734 tons, Capt. E. Holmes, from Swatow, buoy No. A5—Kwong Nam & Co.

Mirzapore, British str., 4,135 tons, Capt. W. B. C. Smith, from Moji, buoy No. A6—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Norvikon, Norwegian str., 1,779 tons, Capt. B. Jensen, from Swatow, West Point Wharf—J.M. & Co.

Sirdhana, British str., 4,835 tons, Capt. J. H. Longhurst, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Sunning, British str., 1,570 tons, Capt. W. G. Mackenzie, from Swatow, buoy No. B21—B. & S.

Taiyuan, British str., 2,100 tons, Capt. J. K. Clark, from Canton, buoy No. B15—B. & S.

CLEARANCES.

Wednesday, April 19.
Chaksang, for Swatow.
Chong Lee, for Dairen.
Glenshiel, for Singapore.
Huichow, for Canton.
Kanchow, for Shanghai.
Kiangchow, for Canton.
New Mathilde, for Haiphong.
President Coolidge, for Manila.
Pronto, for Saigon.
Seistan, for Swatow.
Solviken, for Saigon.
Svale, for Swatow.
Taiyuan, for Amoy.
Texaco XI, for Shanghai.
Wing Lee, for K. C. Wan.
Yamato Maru, for Hongay.

WARSHIPS IN PORT

The following warships were in port yesterday:—
Basin, Tamar.
North Wall, Kappel.
South Wall, Bruce.
East Wall, Moorhen, Odin, Otus, Parthian, Phoenix.
West Wall, Herald.
North Arm, Whitehall and Rainbow.
Dock, Moth, Witch and Whitehead.

No. 1 Buoy—Hermes.
No. 2 Buoy—Medway.
No. 4 Buoy—Vanity.
No. 5 Buoy—Berwick.
No. 7 Buoy—Sandwich.
No. 12 Buoy—Wild Swan.
Foreign—U.S.S. Asheville and Mindanao.

The French navy has agreed to get its oil fuel from the Soviets for the next five years.

The German battleship Barbara rolled one of her rotor towers overboard while exercising with the German navy.

500-YEAR-OLD SHIPYARD TO BE DESTROYED

Modern Square For Genoa Site.

MANY LAUNCHES RECALLED

Genoa.

The famous old shipyard of La Foce, more than five centuries old, is to be destroyed. The site will be covered over to make a huge modern square, bordered by marble columns, and overlooking the sea.

La Foce was built in 1450 by the Genoa Republic. Gallies, victorious on all seas, were constructed at this ancient shipyard. They took the Saint George flag of Genoa to all parts of the world until Genoa was taken by Napoleon.

During 1805 three warships were made in La Foce for Napoleon—the "Pomona," "Edimond" and "Genovese." The "Scipione" was the last vessel which La Foce delivered to the Emperor.

When Louis XVII ascended the Throne of France in 1814 the British took possession of Genoa and held it for a few months. During that time Great Britain took over the last vessel which was on the slipway at La Foce and, in homage to the town they occupied, named it "Genova."

La Foce, which lies in the heart of the city, is one of the most prominent features of Genoa, as it dominates the entrance to the present harbour—Reuter.

DREDGING AT SAN DIEGO.

30,000 Ton Liners Use Port.

San Diego, Calif.

The land-protected bay at this city's doorstep, which brought an exclamation of admiration from the lips of the explorer Cabrillo centuries ago, was a scene recently of intense activity as government dredges prepare it for a revival of foreign trade.

On January 1, the dredge Mackenzie started widening the entrance to the harbour 800 feet with a minimum depth of 40 feet at all tides to enable the world's largest liners and freighters to enter and leave safely day or night, and other dredges are improving berthage space for United States Navy vessels.

"Less than 10 years ago, masters of 10,000-ton steamers refused to dock their vessels at this port," declared Mr. Rufus Choate, head of the foreign trade department of the Chamber of Commerce. "Today the municipal piers are being used by vessels of more than 33,000 tons register."

Two other important municipal harbour improvements will be started soon after the first of next year.

Engineers already are taking soundings and borings preparatory to the construction of a yacht basin at Roseville on the western edge of the bay.

A boat harbour and recreational area at the foot of Twenty-eighth Street also is on the city's 1933 programme.

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CONSIGNEES.

LLOYD TRIESTINO.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

Steamer, "CARIGNANO"

From TRIESTE, VENICE, BRINDISI, PORT SAID, SUEZ, MASSAUA, KARACHI, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG & SINGAPORE via SAIGON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given 48 hours prior to vessel's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 29th inst. or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on the 20th instant at 10 a.m. by our surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

In the case of dutiable cargo, Consignees are requested to inform the Imports & Exports Office that they have such goods for examination.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bill of Lading will be countersigned by

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Hong Kong, 17th April, 1933.

CONSIGNEES NOTICE.

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS, LIMITED.

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The Steamship "BENCROUCHAN"

Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of The Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 18th April, 1933, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 2nd May, 1933, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 8th April, 1933, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Hong Kong, 11th April, 1933.

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All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined by Messrs. Anderson & Aase on the 20th April, 1933, at 10 a.m.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the Underwriter within ten days of the ship's arrival, or they will not be recognised.

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1933.			
SANTHIA	8,000	22nd Apr. 9 p.m.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TAKADA	8,000	6th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
SIRDHANA	7,000	13th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TALMA	10,000	24th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TILAWA	10,000	10th June	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
SANTHIA	8,000	24th June	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

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London via Panama Canal.

1923.			
SIRDHANA	8,000	20th Apr.	Amoy, 'Shai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
		6 p.m.	
CARTHAGE	14,000	20th Apr.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
PALMA	10,000	4th May	Amoy, 'Shai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
NALDERA	16,000	4th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
PANDA	7,000	5th May	'Shai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'hama.
BURDWAN	6,100	18th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KILAWA	10,000	18th May	Amoy, 'Shai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KAISAR-I-HIND	12,000	18th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MAHARAJA	11,000	1st June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
'SOMALI	7,000	4th June	'Shai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
'SOMALI	6,800	12th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	15th June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
RANPURA	17,000	29th June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
BANGALORE	6,000	12th July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	18th July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
RANOH	17,000	27th July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
BEUTAN	4,600	9th Aug.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
BARAGE	14,000	10th Aug.	'Shai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
NALDERA	16,000	24th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
SOUDAN	6,800	5th Sept.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SORPU	14,000	7th Sept.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
BURDWAN	8,100	4th Oct.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
MANTUA	11,000	21st Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	5th Oct.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.

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Under the enlightened administration of the Wahhabi King, Abdul Aziz, motor transport has advanced enormously; the King has even done his "running" or so't in a motorcar.

The R.M.S. Empress of Asia arrived at Yokohama on Apr. 19 (Wed.): 11 a.m. left Yokohama on Apr. 19 (Wed.) 8 p.m. and is due at Hong Kong on Apr. 20 (Wed.): 9 a.m. She will leave Hong Kong for Manila on April 25 (Wed.): 5 a.m.

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CHICAGO'S FOURTH WIN IN U.S. BASEBALL

New St. Louis Pitcher
Tried Out.

RAIN WASHES OUT 4 GAMES

New York, To-day.
Heavy rain all over the country
allowed for only two baseball
games yesterday, Brooklyn
Dodgers and Chicago White
Sox recording victories in their
respective leagues.

St. Louis Browns tried out a
new pitcher, in Lyons, against
the White Sox, but they were
unable to avoid a 8-0 defeat at
the hands of the team which de-
fated Detroit Tigers by 12-0 on
Tuesday. This was the White
Sox's fourth win in six games.

Four games, one of which was
a National League encounter,
were abandoned owing to rain.
The following were yesterday's
results as cabled by Reuter:—

National League		R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	.....	2	5	1
Boston	.....	1	8	1
American League		R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	.....	0	3	2
Chicago	.....	3	7	1

TABLES TO DATE.

National League		W.	L.	Per.
New York	.....	1	0	1.000
Pittsburgh		3	1	.750
Brooklyn		3	1	.750
Chicago		2	2	.500

EX-CAISER'S GRANDSON TO MARRY

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Once the constitutional changes
are made, they would have the Duke
step aside in favour of Prince Wil-
helm Frederick of Prussia, eldest
son of ex-Crown Prince Frederick
Wilhelm and namesake of his grand-
father, the former Kaiser.

This procedure, they argue, would
prevent the race for the throne from
becoming a free-for-all, would take
recognition of the aged ex-emperor's
recent renunciation of aspirations
for himself and would save the
feelings of the former Crown
Prince.—Reuter and A.P.

AMERICA HAS GONE OFF GOLD STANDARD—EMBARGO RESTORED

(Continued from Page 1.)

Mr. Hull described as "antiquated
and obsolete" the theory that mo-
dification of tariffs will flood the
country with the products of cheap
foreign labour and depress the
American standard of living, point-
ing out that 13,000,000 are now
idle in this country under the high-
est tariff on record.

Philadelphia		2	3	.400
Cincinnati		1	2	.333
St. Louis		1	2	.333
Boston		0	2	.000
American League		W.	L.	Per.
New York	.....	5	0	1.000
Chicago	.....	4	2	.667
Cleveland	.....	3	2	.600
Washington	.....	3	3	.500
Detroit	.....	2	3	.400
Boston	.....	2	3	.400
St. Louis	.....	2	4	.333
Philadelphia	.....	1	5	.167

STRANGE NEWS FROM WORLD'S CORNERS.

Veteran Sees Children
Grow To 80 Years.

MADRID'S TAXI DECREE.

London.
A man in a Johannesburg
hotel poured white powder into
his brandy, drank it, and then
read a newspaper for 20 minutes.
As he went out, he casually re-
marked that he had taken poison
because he was tired of life. He
died in the street a few minutes
later.

A 64-year-old man, who was
charged with begging, told a
magistrate in Vienna that he
and his sick wife had only 3/- a
quarter to live on. They received
this from a charitable society.
He was allowed to go on begging.
In Madrid private cars must
bear a large letter of the alphabet
to show on which day of the
week the chauffeur has his holi-
day, as the result of a decision of
the chauffeur's union. This sys-
tem is already in force for taxis.

The last of the famous Zulu
impi which took part in the mas-
sacre of the Boers at Blood River
nearly 100 years ago has died at
Ladysmith.
This man, Stephanus Molife,
was kidnapped and made a slave
when a child, but he escaped and
joined the Zulu warriors.
He died well-off, after living
for years surrounded by his chil-
dren—some of them 80 years
old—and his tenants.—Reuter.

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